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Already important elements of this army have succeeded in finding security.

Despite German pressure, a second formation of the Prioux forces has arrived in the Flanders Hills through which it is trying to find a passage.

The remainder of the army, which includes important elements, continues to fight a little in the rear.

PARIS, TO-DAY.

TREACHERY IN DUNKIRK

London, To-day.

An officer returned from Dunkirk says the effect of the air bombardments was stunning but the loss of life small. He said many sources confirmed this.

He declared: "Once the German has left his tank he is nothing like the man he was in the last war." Throughout the embarkation there was considerable Fifth Column activity.

"The place was riddled with spies," one officer stated. One, in the uniform of a British officer, spoke to him on the beach in good English and said he must move his men two miles further along the beach.

He was about to comply when he met a naval officer who told him there was no order to do so.

An hour afterwards the point to which the spy had instructed him to go was blown to pieces.—Reuter.

hour. It was raining very hard at the time.

The car was salvaged shortly after nine o'clock this morning.

REV. MACKENZIE DOW IN HARBOUR MOTOR ACCIDENT

THE REV. K. MACKENZIE DOW, OF UNION CHURCH, HAD A NARROW ESCAPE EARLY THIS MORNING WHEN, IN SWERVING TO AVOID A PEDESTRIAN HIS MOTOR CAR SKIDDED AND WENT INTO THE HARBOUR.

He managed to get out of the car unassisted and swim to safety and but for the ducking, he was none the worse.

In his report to the Police this morning, Mr. MacKenzie Dow stated that he was driving the car, No. 2445, in Connaught Road Central at about 3 a.m., when, between Blake Pier and Star Ferry, he swerved to avoid a pedestrian who ran across the road. The car skidded and ran into the har-

ALFIERI AT HITLER'S HEADQUARTERS

Berlin, To-day.

Hitler yesterday received the Italian Ambassador, Dino Alfieri, at his headquarters behind the western front. Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, was present.—Reuter.

HITLER- GOEBBELS HATCHERY

Rome, To-day.

Authoritative circles here have no knowledge of the projected meeting between Hitler and Goebbels on the western front for the purpose (as reported by an American agency) of preparing a "sensational announcement."

These circles are of opinion that should such an announcement come it is not likely to concern Italy's participation in the war.

Mussolini has repeatedly emphasized that he alone will make momentous pronouncements involving any action or abstention from action by the Italian Government.

In regard to the rumour that Duce informed President Roosevelt he intends to stand by his pledges to Hitler, it is believed this arose out of the conversation between Mussolini

In Dunkirk, the Allied anti-aircraft defences are effectively protecting the embarkation operations of wounded and troops unnecessary for defence of the entrenched camp, as well as supplies and sanitary material.

On the Somme there were only local operations and small German counter-attacks were easily repulsed.

On the Aisne, near Reims, the Germans tried two or three attacks against the south bank; these were easily repulsed.

In the Argonne a violent German artillery bombardment was followed by an attack from German patrols which was repulsed.—Havas.

"Corunna Line"

Paris, To-day.

The defence line around Dunkirk is now called the "Corunna Line," and it is being firmly held and defended.

Reinforcements have arrived in the shape of some of General Prioux's troops who smashed their way through the Nazi lines near Cassel.

French military circles state that the water released by flood-gates has flooded the region south-west of Dunkirk, from Gravelines on the coast to St. Omer. The other flooded area is to the north-east of Dunkirk, from Nieuport to Ypres and is over two miles wide.

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and the United States Ambassador some weeks ago, and there is no question of a fresh statement having been made in the past few days.—Reuter.

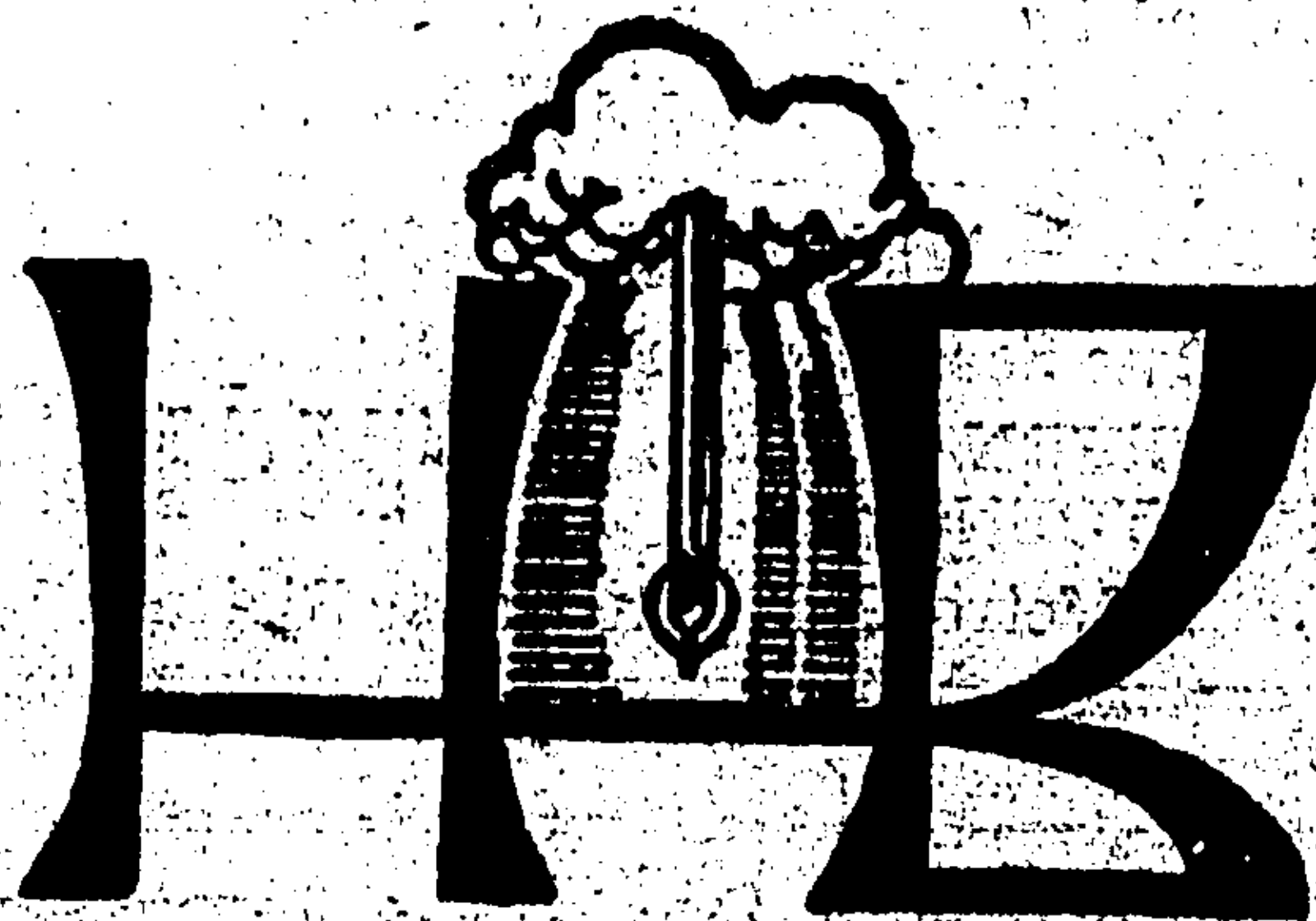
Washington Says Nowt

Washington, To-day.

Reports that Mussolini told President Roosevelt that Italy intended to keep her pledges and help Germany were neither confirmed nor denied at the White House where reporters made enquiries yesterday.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, said he could only repeat there had been almost continuous correspondence between Mussolini and the heads of other Governments.—Reuter

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POLES' TERRIBLE TORTURES IN A GESTAPO JAIL

TERRIBLE TORTURES inflicted on Poles by Agents of the Gestapo in the Notorious Fort number seven at Poznan have been reported by the Polish Government to the U.S. Government.

"This fort," says the Polish Government, "seems to be a School of Sadism" for agents of the Gestapo who are detailed for work in the occupied area of Poland.

All prisoners delivered at the fort are beaten into a state of unconsciousness.

"Then they are revived with cold water. Then they are beaten again."

"Many of the prisoners have had their bones broken."

AWAKENED BY BLOWS

"During the night they are frequently awakened by blows with truncheons or rifle butts."

The Polish Government goes on to say that special "games" have been invented by the Gestapo warders as a new means of torture.

"During recent frosts the prisoners were driven into the corridors or into the prison yard, where they were forced to stand about on all fours, barking like dogs. Those who did not bark were horsewhipped. This was called the dog game. "Another method of torture was called the hare game."

"The prisoners were driven into the corridors and ordered to run about and hop like hares, while the Gestapo guards played the part of the hunters and shot the chosen hare."

NIGHTLY EXECUTIONS

"Nightly executions," adds the Polish Government, "are being carried out."

"The beating of victims in the face with a hunting crop till they are blinded is a daily occurrence."

"Until recently there was a lethal chamber in this fort into which dozens of crippled victims of the terror were brought from various hospitals and put to death with poison gas."

"The Gestapo agents, after being 'educated' in the fort, are drafted as guards to various jails and concentration camps in the Polish occupied territory."

A MESSAGE FOR TO-DAY

"Well, your danger is as you have seen. And truly I am sorry it is so great. But I would have it cause no despondency, as truly I think it will not, for we are Englishmen."
—OLIVER CROMWELL.

NEGRO MARCH TO BAN FILM

London negroes plan to picket the three West End cinemas where the film "Gone with the Wind" is showing.

With them will be Indians, Egyptians and West Indians, all members of the Coloured People's Association, which has asked the Home Office and L.C.C. to ban the film on the ground that it is "insulting to the negro community."

Mr. V. Roy, assistant secretary of the Association, told a reporter "The film depicts negroes as lazy, servile and content to be in slavery, which is absolutely wrong."

"If the film is not banned we shall march in procession—and there will be several hundred of us—and picket the three theatres."

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BIG INCREASE IN INDIA'S ARMY PLANNED

Delhi, To-day.

INDIA IS TO INCREASE HER land forces, and the Commander-in-Chief, General Sir Robert Cassels, says that the enrollment will cover 100,000 or more men.

The new Indian Army formations will include motorised and mechanised units, and the Air Force is to be quadrupled.

Sir Robert Cassels also announced that further Territorial units were to be raised, the production of both British and Indian officers accelerated and munitions production further speeded up.

Indians would be given a full share in the expansion of officers production and would be posted to all units throughout the Indian Army.

Since the outbreak of war the regular Indian Army has already gone to a first expansion of over 53,000 men. —Reuter.

COMPULSORY SERVICE AMENDMENT

The "Gazette" this morning contains notification of an amendment to the Compulsory Service Ordinance raising the age for enrolment in the combatant group from 41 to 46 years.

No official announcement has yet been made in connection with the decision to "prune" the Key Post and Essential Services groups.

WAR TO SPREAD WORLD OVER?

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday submitted to Congress his supplementary emergency programme involving over \$1,000,000,000.

He asked for action without delay, and said this latest enlargement had become necessary owing to the "almost incredible events" of the past fortnight in Europe, particularly as the result of the use of aviation and mechanised equipment.

"As long as the possibility exists that not one continent or two continents but all continents may become involved in a worldwide war, reasonable precaution demands that American defence be made more certain." —Reuter.

MANY HUNDREDS OF HUNS CAPTURED

London, To-day.

"EYE-WITNESS," TELEGRAPHING from somewhere in Norway, says many hundreds of Germans were captured following the fall of Narvik and others are believed to have escaped in mufti.

The Germans carried out extensive demolitions in the town before abandoning it and also did their utmost to wreck the railway to the Swedish frontier, destroying seven electric engines each costing £50,000, and blowing up points and signals.

Narvik station, however, still stands. The Norwegians say the German supply of T.N.T. gave out.

The accuracy of the fire from British warships during successive bombardments of Narvik is emphasised by the small number of civilian casualties.

Ferro-concrete jetties have broken and twisted under the weight of the explosives but the majority of the

damaged houses I visited contained German machinegun nests, range-finders and wireless transmitters. —Reuter.

Polish Chasseurs

Paris, To-day.

A brigade of Polish Chasseurs took part in the battle for Narvik and captured numerous prisoners and a large quantity of German war material, including cannon, anti-tank guns, mortars and machineguns.

The brigade inflicted losses of 200 killed and wounded on the enemy, while its own casualties were light. —Reuter.

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BELGIAN PARLIAMENT CONDEMNS LEOPOLD

PARIS, TO-DAY.

M. GILLON, PRESIDENT OF THE BELGIAN SENATE, CONFIRMED IN THE BELGIAN PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY THAT A CERTAIN NUMBER OF BELGIAN UNITS REFUSED TO OBEY THE ORDER TO SURRENDER GIVEN BY LEOPOLD AND WERE FIGHTING IN THE NORTH BY THE SIDE OF THE ALLIED FORCES.

The meeting, which was semi-official, was held in a French provincial town at which Senators and Deputies were informed of the Government's actions.

Despite its informal character, the atmosphere was such that the meeting will stand out in the annals of Belgian parliamentary history.

An enthusiastic demonstration of gratitude towards France was a feature of a moving and memorable sitting.

The meeting was held at Eimoges, the mayor of the town making a speech of welcome, concluding: "Let us conquer, that your dear Belgium may again be strong and free and that by the victory of the Allies freedom may not disappear from among mankind."

A tremendous demonstration of gratitude towards France followed; many Belgians had tears in their eyes.

The Presidents of the Chamber and Senate and the Premier, M. Pierlot, followed, all expressing Belgium's determination to continue the struggle with the Allies until freedom is restored.

Cries of "Long live France, Long live Belgium" were raised as they spoke.

Leopold Denounced

The Belgian Parliament unanimously voted a motion declaring themselves in agreement with the Government in regarding it juridically and morally impossible for Leopold to reign.

A resolution which was unanimously voted by the 89 deputies and 54 senators present, condemned "the capitulation in regard to which Leopold took the initiative and for which he must bear the responsibility in history."

The resolution expressed respect for those who had fallen for the defence of Belgian independence and paid homage to the Belgian army "which has suffered an undeserved fate."

It affirmed confidence in Belgian youth "which before long will show our colours again in the firing line," and addressed to their compatriots in enemy occupied Belgium their "warm brotherly sympathy, certain as they are of their unshakeable patriotism."

To Continue Struggle

The motion proclaimed firm resolution "to devote all the forces of the Belgian nation and its colonies to continuing the struggle against the invader by the side of the powers who immediately replied to the appeal of attacked Belgium, until the soil of our country is freed."

The resolution concluded by expressing deep gratitude to France and Britain "who have admitted in such a brotherly manner refugees to their hearts," and reaffirming their unshakeable confidence in the victory of right and honour.

It is pointed out that as only some 150 deputies and senators, representing under 50 per cent of the Belgian Parliament, are now in France, it is impossible to obtain the two-thirds majority necessary for constitutional changes.—Reuter.

TOWNSEND AND SILVER

Washington, To-day.

Senator Townsend has amended and again introduced legislation for the termination of purchases of foreign silver, deleting the tax provision which was the basis for the return to the Senate of the original Bill, with the House protecting the constitutional right to originate all tax legislation.—Reuter.

ITALIAN LEADER IN MALTA INTERNED

Malta, To-day.

Enrico Mizzi, lawyer and leader of the pro-Italian section of the Nationalist Party in the Council of Government, has been arrested and interned.

At a meeting of the Council yesterday, Sir Hugo Millsud, co-leader of the Nationalist Party, affirmed his Party's loyalty and support of the Government and his conviction that the Allies would win the war.

There is only one other Nationalist member of the Council.

Major-General Dobbie, the Acting Governor, told the Council he proposed to subordinate all energies to the principal task of ensuring the maximum contribution from Malta towards winning the war.

The majority of the Council, led by Lord Strickland, expressed wholehearted support for Major-General Dobbie.—Reuter.

BELGIAN ARMY CORPS STILL WITH ALLIES

Paris, To-day.

Well-informed Belgian circles state that at least one Belgian army corps is fighting alongside the Allies.

The corps is commanded by General de Krahe, who commanded the Liege district; it refused to obey Leopold's order to surrender, placed itself under the French General Blanchard and is believed to be fighting its way out with the Allies.

Belgian detachments are also fighting at six or seven other points and it is thought that certain aviation elements are also fighting.

The Belgian Defence Minister hopes to have a new army ready to fight in two months.

Two or three air squadrons can be formed as soon as planes are available.

There are about 1,750,000 Belgian refugees in France and three-quarters of Belgium's motor-cars are also in French territory.—Reuter.

JAPAN SEES AUTUMN AS CRISIS TIME

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

THE YOMIURI SHIMBUN ALLEGES THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. HACHIRO ARITA, HAS ORDERED ALL JAPANESE DIPLOMATS ABROAD TO STAND READY "TO ACT IN CONCERT WITH ANY MEASURES JAPAN MAY FIND NECESSARY TO TAKE IN THE RAPIDLY CHANGING INTERNATIONAL SITUATION."

Mr. Arita warned them that some kind of "worldwide settlement" may be expected some time this autumn.

The Foreign Minister is alleged to have emphasised that the present European war may end soon.

GRAVE SITUATION

"Liquidation may be expected in the autumn even if the United States refrains from large-scale interference in East Asia. Japan may there be faced by a grave situation in which the failure or success of the new order in East Asia will be decided."

"Whether Japan's fundamental policy of noninvolvement in the European war can help materially our policy of East Asiatic autonomy is entirely dependent upon the resourcefulness of Japanese diplomats," Mr. Arita is alleged to have added.—Havas.

U.S. FORMS NEW MECHANISED DIVISION

Washington, To-day.

The War Department announces the formation of a sixth streamlined (highly mechanised) division in anticipation of an immediate increase of 15,000 men in the regular army as result of the recruiting drive.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



"I'd have called you about it first, Dear, but I didn't like to spend 10 cents."

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85 GERMANS ARRESTED IN CALCUTTA

London, To-day.

Further news of "Anti-Fifth Columnist" measures in the Empire was received yesterday.

In Calcutta, 85 Germans, including some women, have been interned again, some of them only just after being released, some of them only just after being released.

In Kenya, all Germans and Austrians between the ages of 16 and 60 have been interned and others must stay at home between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m.—Reuter.

HOLLAND TAKES OVER ALL DUTCH ASSETS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Queen Wilhelmina yesterday signed a decree providing for the transfer to the Dutch Government of all assets of Dutch citizens.

The measure is being taken to protect the assets which will be returned three months after the end of the war.—Havas.

AUSTRALIAN ACTION AGAINST ALIENS

Canberra, To-day.

The House of Representatives has passed a bill giving the Australian Government wider power to deport undesirable aliens.—Reuter.



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German Dream Of Smashing Victory Foiled STREAM OF TROOPS CROSSING FROM DUNKIRK

London, To-day.

THE GERMAN DREAM of smashing the British Expeditionary Force has been foiled. Under the guns of the Allied navies and the wings of the Allied air forces, the withdrawal of British, French and Belgian troops from Flanders still continues, while the rearguard troops are holding off the Germans in fighting which is officially described as being "as bitter as ever."

It cannot yet be revealed how many troops have safely arrived in England, but the number is said to be very large.

An observer in a South Coast port describes how he watched the arrival of the troops back in England. Ships of all kinds are going to and fro across the Channel despite bombing attacks and regardless of peril.

He saw two warships come into port, one listing heavily to port under the load of men on her decks. In a few minutes she was alongside and the gangplank was down.

Transport officers counted the men, but there was no question of units or of regiments, or even of nationality, for French and Belgian troops were among them.

All were tired, some completely exhausted, but it was amazing how every man kept reasonably cheerful and mustered up a smile. Even when too fatigued to smile, a glint in the eye showed a spirit that was irrepressible.

Grinned For Camera

One man, his head swathed in bandages and his left arm in a sling, was helped down by a comrade whose uniform was in tatters. As he came ashore, he grinned for a news photographer and asked what paper his photograph would be in.

Another man limped badly, because his boots had not been off his feet for five days. A ukelele dangled from the haversack on his back.

As he got into the train, he cheerfully asked the Sergeant for "a seat facing the engine!"

The organization at the port was excellent. Ships unloaded quickly and then departed for France once more.

A Shambles

The observer went on board a warship whose captain was an old friend. Last time he saw her she was as spic and span as any ship of the Navy, but this time was very different. The captain was hollow-eyed for lack of sleep. Day and night he had been going back and forth, dodging bombs en route.

His cabin, once cosy and comfortable, was a shambles, for there was no time to keep it tidy, no time for anything but to get the men out of Dunkirk.

Extra bunks had been fitted in the ship and these and his own bed were blood-stained, for in them were placed the more seriously wounded.

At the station, the observer walked up the platform. The train was full of soldiers—and silent. Every man was fast asleep.

All along the way, the people of England stood at the level crossings, waving to the men.

Uniforms In Rags

Another observer reported that every man still had his rifle, although uniforms were often in rags and some were in blankets. Steel helmets were

crumpled or riddled.

Men, women, and children in the town thrust into their hands mugs of tea, cigarettes, cakes, and other food and smokes. The supply of food ran out and boys with barrows hurried to other parts of the town, returning shortly with more food.

All the men spoke of their determination to have another go at the Nazis.

One Sapper described how he and his comrades tackled German tanks, although they only had revolvers. They jumped on the sides of the tanks and when the tank-crews saw the revolvers come through the eye-slits, they shouted "Kamerad" and surrendered.

There was no time to take prisoners and so they left the crews with their tanks, which were dismantled.

Fifth Columnists

The BEF also had to deal with "Fifth Columnists," who fired and sniped at them. Many of them were in Allied uniforms.

A Belgian officer who arrived in England had been ordered to hand over his revolver. He refused.

"We are going to fight on, and hundreds of Belgian soldiers are of the same opinion," he said.

The returned troops passed through London yesterday in a steady stream. Many are going on to a rest and short leave.—*Reuter*.

SINKING OF CURLEW

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCES THAT H.M.S. CURLEW, AN ANTI-AIRCRAFT CRUISER, HAS BEEN SUNK AS A RESULT OF A BOMBING ATTACK SOME DAYS AGO OFF THE NORTHERN COAST OF NORWAY. FOUR OFFICERS AND FIVE RATINGS LOST THEIR LIVES.

A vessel of 4,300 tons, Curlew was built during the last war. She was recently converted for anti-aircraft work, and was in the successful operations at Narvik. She bombarded enemy positions on land and protected convoys and occupied coastal positions.

Many German planes were destroyed during the incessant bombing attacks.—*Reuter*.

London, To-day.

About 400 survivors of the cruiser Curlew arrived at a port in the north of Scotland from Norway yesterday.—*Reuter*.

AMERICANS LEAVING ITALY

Washington, To-day.

The State Department discloses that there is a general exodus of Americans from the Mediterranean area.

It is stated the liner Washington, which is evacuating Americans from Bordeaux and Lisbon, may call at Genoa if there is further accommodation.

The liner Manhattan is leaving Genoa to-day for the States filled to capacity.—*Reuter*.

FEATS OF AUXILIARY SQUADRON

London, To-day.

Among the R.A.F. units distinguishing itself on the war front is an Auxiliary Squadron whose pilots learned to fly during week-ends.

Up to the time of the German invasion of the Low Countries, they had only received the usual training, but since then they have brought down 45 enemy planes, with several more "possibles."

Most of the pilots come from the West of England, but one is from New Brunswick, Canada, and another is a famous young British Davis Cup player. Each have brought down at least one plane.—*Reuter*.

STILL COMING IN THOUSANDS

London, To-day.

The B.E.F. was last night still coming home in countless thousands, hungry and tired but smiling, having been carried across the Channel by craft of every description to be given a rousing welcome by crowds lining the beaches and cliff-tops on the south-east coast of England.

Members of the women's voluntary services worked eight-hour shifts handing supplies of food, tea and cigarettes to the soldiers as they marched from the port to the railway station.

A number of wounded were also landed, including some stretcher cases.

More grim stories of fighting against heavy odds were told by the homecoming heroes.

One said the troops who embarked at Dunkirk early yesterday were subjected to heavy shell-fire from long range German guns, and some were hit, but the British and French navies were in full command at the port though little remained of the town, which had been bombed and shelled continuously and fires were raging in many parts.

Mass attacks by 200 German planes were described by other troops, who said the R.A.F. and anti-aircraft gunners took heavy toll of the raiders.—*Reuter*.

INTENSE BOMBING OF GERMAN POSITIONS

London, To-day.

THE AIR MINISTRY ANNOUNCE that throughout Thursday and Thursday night relays of R.A.F. bombers maintained their pressure on the enemy's lines of communication.

Bridges, tanks, motorised columns and troops were subjected to intense bombing attacks which facilitated the withdrawal operations of the Allied armies; one of our aircraft is missing.

Bombing operations have been continued with great intensity throughout the day.

Formations of our fighters maintained offensive patrols over the Dunkirk area on Thursday.

Weather conditions were unfavourable and there was a marked decrease in enemy air activity.

One Dornier bomber was shot down.

Yesterday the fighter patrols continued. Reports so far received show our fighters destroyed 12 enemy aircraft and damaged three others.

Apart from these activities over the Flanders battle area, to which the main effort of the R.A.F. were directed, our heavy bombers on Thursday night carried out offensive operations against military objectives in north-west Germany.—*Reuter*.

CANTONESE WOMAN SHOT DEAD

Shanghai, To-day.

A Cantonese woman was shot dead in her bedroom in the French Concession at 9.30 a.m. yesterday.

She is said to be Miss Wang Poyin, niece of the late Mr. Tseng Chung-min, Wang Ching-wei's former right-hand man, who was assassinated in French Indo-China.

The police are investigating a report that after the shot was heard two foreigners were seen leaving the woman's room.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

PORTSMOUTH SENSATION

Wife Of R.A.F. Sergeant And Alleged Spy

2 Men Charged With Assisting Woman

LONDON, TO-DAY.

AMAZING ALLEGATIONS WERE MADE AT PORTSMOUTH YESTERDAY WHEN A WOMAN AND TWO MEN APPEARED ON CHARGES UNDER THE DEFENCE REGULATIONS AND THE OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT.

The woman, Marie Louisa Augusta Ingram, 42, who was said to be the wife of an R.A.F. sergeant and the sister-in-law of a staff officer serving with the German High Command, was alleged to have tried to obtain information about tanks and men.

William Swift, 57, and Archibald Watts, 40, were accused of trying to help her. All three lived in Southsea.

Swift was described as an assistant storeman in the Naval Dockyards at Southsea.

Ingram was said to have been born in Germany of German parents and to have expressed hatred of Britain.

Prosecution counsel stated that if the alleged offences had taken place a week later, accused would have appeared on charges the punishment for which was death.

Two separate charges against Ingram concerned an act prejudicial to the public safety and an attempt to obtain documents or information calculated to be useful to the enemy.

Causing Disaffection

Swift and Watts were charged with communication and associating with Ingram, endeavouring to cause disaffection among His Majesty's forces and possessing documents the dissemination of which would be likely to contravene the Defence Regulations.

The prosecutor said both Swift and Watts knew Ingram was engaged in activities helpful to the enemy and had tried to help her.

Ingram had been heard to express anti-British opinions and had told one man that when this country was invaded by the Germans, the Royal Family and members of the Cabinet would be publicly executed, and Sir Oswald Mosley made ruler of England.

Sent For Trial

Ingram acquired British nationality by marriage and had been employed in a domestic post by a senior naval officer engaged in important work for the Admiralty.

All three defendants were committed for trial at Old Bailey.—Reuter.

EMERGENCY POWERS TAKEN IN N.Z.

Wellington, To-day.

The Emergency Powers Bill and Compulsory Military Service Bill were passed through all stages in the New Zealand Parliament yesterday in rapid order.

A secret session to discuss the war will be held on Wednesday.—Reuter.

LEOPOLD TO BE STRUCK FROM LEGION OF HONOUR

Paris, To-day.

A decree will be officially published to-day announcing that Leopold will be struck off the Legion of Honour.—Reuter.

KENYA AND THE FIFTH COLUMN

Nairobi, To-day.

A special unit composed of European civilians exempt from military service is being formed in Kenya to deal with parachute troops and Fifth Columnists.—Reuter.

U-BOAT SINKS THREE VESSELS

London, To-day.

A U-boat has sunk three merchant ships off the Spanish coast in the past few days.

The first was the 3,400 tons Argentine grain ship Uruguay, which was sunk and whose crew were left to get to shore as best they could. The incident has aroused angry demonstrations in the Argentine.

The second was the French lobster-fishing boat Julien whose crew are now safe.

The third was the British oil tanker Telena, which has been towed to Vigo. She was shelled and set on fire.—Reuter.

*** A vessel of 7,406 tons, the Telena was built in 1927 and is owned by the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company.

All Rescued

Madrid, To-day.

The remaining 14 members of the crew of the Uruguay have been picked up and are now on the way to Corunna.

The crew of 10 of the Julien, sunk off Cap Finisterre, have also arrived at Corunna.—Reuter.

COMPULSORY SERVICE ORDER

The senior military officer for the time being in command of His Majesty's regular troops in the Colony, under the power conferred by section 2 (1) of the Compulsory Service Ordinance, No. 32 of 1939, appointed Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Barron Rose, M.C., Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, to be the Proper Military Authority for the purposes of sections 3 and 11 of the said Ordinance, with effect from the 20th May, 1940.

H.K.N.V.F. DECISION

It is announced in the "Gazette" that, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8 of the Naval Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government dispenses with the services of Sub-Lieutenant George Fish, Warrant Officer James Ross and Warrant Officer Charles Young as members of the Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force.

MR. F. E. E. BOOKER PROMOTED A.S.P.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased, under instructions from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint Mr. Frederick Edward Evelyn Booker to be an Assistant Superintendent of Police, with effect from the 1st of April, 1940.

THE QUEEN REVIEWS A.T.S.

London, To-day.

Her Majesty the Queen yesterday reviewed a parade of 400 members of the A.T.S. She was received by the General Officer commanding the Eastern Command and the Director of the A.T.S.

She addressed the parade as follows:—

"Women of the Auxiliary Territorial Service, I am very glad indeed to have been able to come here to-day and I congratulate you on the very smart appearance which you present on parade.

"The great variety of your activities — of which I shall hope to see many examples this morning — whether in cook-houses or offices, in motor-cars or ambulances, or in the essential work of teleprinting and switchboard operating, tells of the great value of your service to the Army.

Need Great

"Any woman who can be spared from her home and wishes, as every woman wishes to-day, to make some contribution to the task before us all can be sure that in the Auxiliary Territorial Service a use and a welcome will be found for her goodwill and skill, whatever it may be. The need for more helpers is very great to-day and I should like to think that many hundreds were able to offer their services to the country, and to follow the example of those I see before me to-day. I wish you all good fortune in the admirable work that you are carrying on." — Reuter.

A.D.C.S TO O.A.G.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed the following officers to be his Honorary Aides-de-Camp, with effect from 19th May, 1940:—

Captain Henrique Alberto de Barros Botelho, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. Fung Ping-fan, St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade.

Mr. Ts'o Tsun-on, Hong Kong Police Reserve.

Subadar Major Hoshiyar Singh, 1st Kumaon Rifles.

Subadar Major Jagat Singh, 8th Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery.

Risaldar & Honorary Lieutenant Feroze Khan, Royal Indian Army Service Corps.

Mr. Kenneth Andrew Bidmead, Hong Kong Police.

Flight Lieutenant Noel William Wright, Royal Air Force.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant Thomas Maurice Parsons, Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force.

Lieutenant John Paul Gunner, Royal Navy.

Second Lieutenant Brian Alfred Fergus, 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).

Lieutenant Gordon Patrick Ferguson, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. Samuel Lewis Lloyd has been appointed to act as Organiser of the General Group for Essential Services in the Hong Kong Defence Reserve, during the absence from the Colony of Mr. John Keith Bousfield, M.C.

Mr. H. G. Wallington, M.A. has been appointed to be Principal, King's College, with effect from the 20th of November, 1939.

KNIGHTHOOD FOR DR. SALAZAR

London, To-day.

In connexion with the 800th anniversary of the Portuguese independence celebrations, which open to-day, the King has conferred knight-hoods upon Dr. Salazar, the Portuguese Prime Minister, and other representatives of Portugal and her overseas possessions as a special indication of the friendly British interest on an occasion of such great significance to Britain's ancient ally.—Reuter.

Hong Kong Greeting

The following message has been addressed by the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith) to the Governor of Macao, Dr. A. Tamagnini de Sousa Barbosa:

Your Excellency,—On the occasion of the celebration of the eight hundred years of Portugal's existence as a free nation I have the honour to send, on behalf of the Colony of Hong Kong, our cordial greetings and good wishes. It is a matter of regret that I cannot be personally represented at those celebrations but I am glad to learn that it may be possible for a ship of His Majesty's Navy to proceed to Macao on the occasion.

Be assured, Your Excellency, that Hong Kong will share in the rejoicings of her sister Colony.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN BUENOS AIRES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Buenos Aires, To-day.

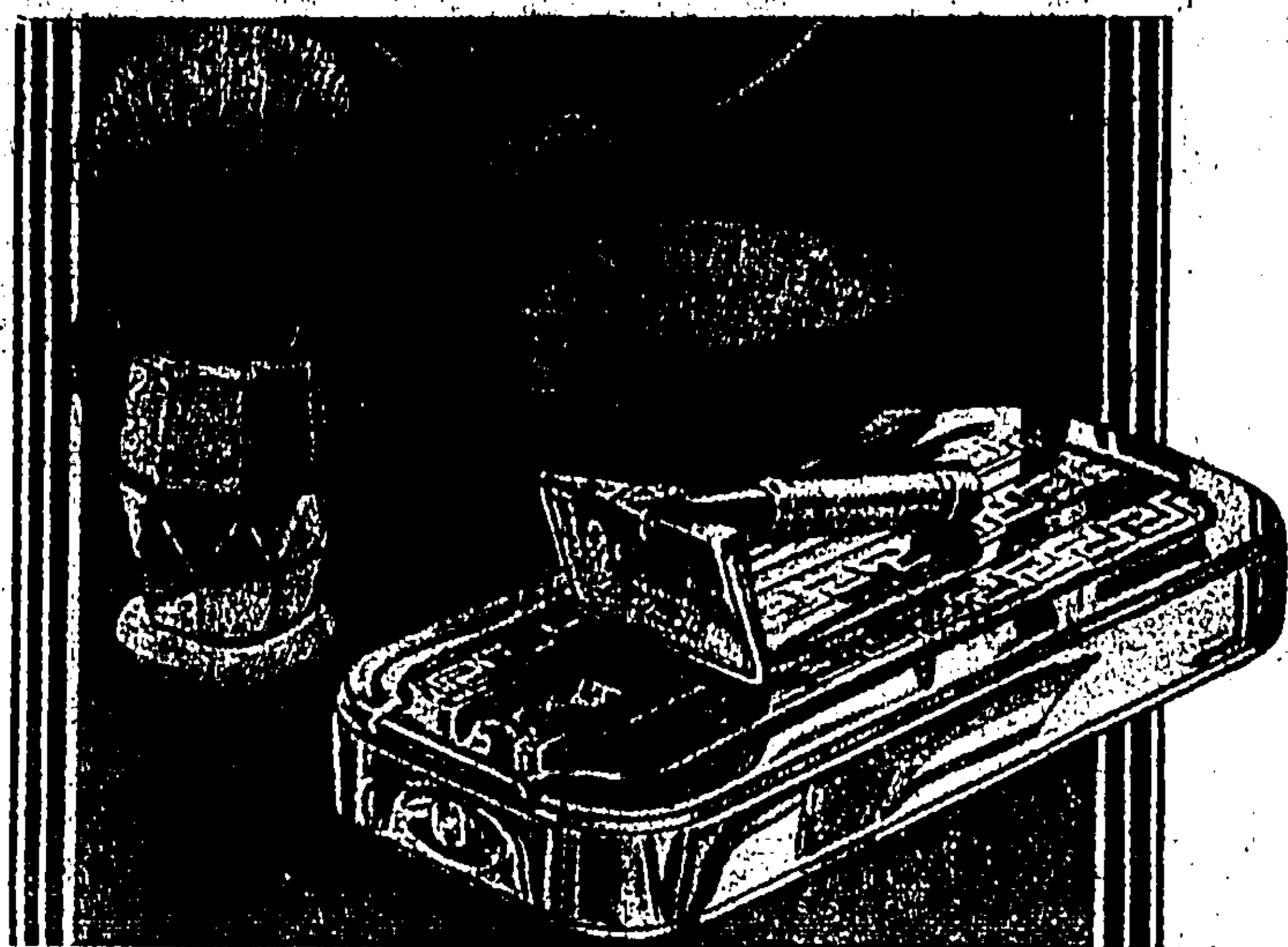
Angry crowds, chiefly composed of youths, demonstrated in the streets against Germany following news of the sinking of the Argentine steamer Uruguay by a U-boat. The police took precautions to avoid excesses.

Several deputies spoke in Parliament protesting against German activities in the Argentine.—Havas.

BANK LINE SEEKING TO BUY U.S. SHIPS

Washington, To-day.

The Lykes Brothers Steamship Company of New Orleans has applied to the Maritime Commission for permission to sell to the Bank Line of Glasgow and to transfer to British registry the vessels Western Queen, West Harshaw, West Quaker and West Cobalt.—Reuter.



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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

HITLER, THE FACE-MAKER

No amount of argument or special pleading can excuse the one broad and constant factor in the European situation during the last few years: in the present, and, as it would unhappily seem, in the future, the initiative has been and remains in Hitler's hands. In peace it was always he who set the pace and it is so in war. We are always asking "What will he do?" and we base our strategy and our diplomacy on the answer (which is not always the correct one). An attempt was made by the Allies to wrest the initiative from Hitler and his instrument Stalin in northern Europe. An expeditionary force was ready to embark for the Norwegian coast, but the Norwegians and the Swedes would not grant the right of way, and the Finns gave up the struggle before anything further could be done about it. It was not our fault. If never is. But the fact remains, and it is no comfort to know that the initiative is Hitler's. Hitler is pressing Roumania very hard, for he needs her oil, wheat and timber. He is manoeuvring so that he may be both arbiter and middleman between Stalin and Mussolini. If there is fighting to be done, he believes that Stalin can be persuaded to do it for him in south-eastern as in northern Europe. If a barrier is to be erected that will allow ineffectual Allied action and disallow effectual Allied action there when it is needed, he will induce Italy to play a part. — "Time and Tide."

NAZI AGENTS

One or more trained Nazi agents have been planted in every city and town of consequence throughout America, charged with the task of reporting on the state of public opinion and the reactions of the American public to the European war. These agents also encourage "keep out of war" sentiment, and distribute literature so heavily disguised that it would puzzle the Dies committee to trace its source of inspiration. An anti-Allied press of quite respectable proportions has been built up, partly by direct subsidies, ranging from German-language newspapers to certain weekly publications preaching extreme isolationism (anti-Semitism and some newsmen among the crop of "News Letters" which have appeared since September. Almost without exception these "mosquito sheets" take a pro-Nazi, pro-Soviet and anti-British line. The sort of "news" which some of them print may be judged by recent statements that "no more British troops are being sent to France," that "the French army is predominantly Communist and recently greeted the Commander-in-Chief with the clenched fist salute" and "the French generals plan to postpone the start of the war until 2,000,000 United States troops have reached the Western Front"—the latter inflammable stuff in view of this country's determination "not to let the Allies make suckers of the Americans a second time." Heading this pyramid of anti-British news sheets is a publication called "Facts in Review," issued from official German sources, which is mailed to 200,000 addresses each week. Somewhere within the recesses of this Nazi propaganda edifice there is, I suspect, a small but important room which should be labelled "slogan factory," the function of which is to turn out those easy-to-memorize catch-phrases now sweeping the United States, among the most telling of which to date have been "the Yanks are not coming" and "Let God save the King" (featured by the C.I.O. at a recent meeting at Columbus.) Then there was the slogan: "Keep America out of War" displayed on the shield-shaped wind-screen stickers furnished to motorists from coast to coast. It is asserted here that some of these were distributed

through the Hearst organization, while other persons believe that the bills for printing these stickers were paid by Nazi sources. Ample funds are apparently available to "sweeten" any publication prepared to publicize the German viewpoint. The Turkish newspaper "Tan" recently revealed, according to reports here, how a German official connected with the Deutsche Orient Bank at Istanbul visited the editor of that paper and, placing before him a detailed statement of the paper's financial obligations, offered to meet them in full for a consideration. Two other Istanbul publications reported similar offers. Such pressure is not unknown in the United States, specially among the foreign-language newspapers which often operate on a shoestring. Another second weapon in the Nazi armoury consists of the 5,000,000 German-speaking inhabitants of the United States. At the outbreak of war a big campaign was set on foot to mobilize the last German-American in the ranks of the Fifth Column. Every German domestic servant was invited to enrol as a "soldier" on the "American front." So active were Hitler's agents that many of them were reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with what result it is not known. To-day, with the recruiting campaign complete, it is reliably reported that at least half a million German-Americans (or Germans in America; not all are citizens) are fully regimented and working for the downfall of the British Empire, France, the Jews, the "New York Times" ("the best British newspaper published in the United States," sneer the Germans, stung to fury by that great newspaper's support for the Allied cause) and democratic institutions on the American Continent. Another million are probably sympathetic to the German cause. — "New Statesman and Nation."

EYES ACROSS THE ADRIATIC

The Adriatic has never been quite wide enough for Italian comfort. It exposes a long Italian coastline to attack from the Dalmatian coast, now held by Yugoslavia, which would hardly attack Il Duce's Italy, but which one day may not be able to hold it against the new tide of Pan Germanism. The historic drive of Germany toward the Adriatic helped to make up Italy's mind in 1915, and the Treaty of London of that year brought Italy into the World War on the Allied side.

Among the promises of that secret document was one providing for cession of the Dalmatian coast to Italy. And Italy might have had it but for one big unforeseen development. This was the entry of the United States into the war. President Wilson took the idea of self-determination seriously enough to prevent the handing over of Yugoslavia to Italian rule. But Italy apparently has not ceased to covet that narrow strip of territory, possibly because some military experts consider the Dalmatian coast superior strategically to Italy's own coast across the narrow sea.

Now there is talk of the Dalmatian coast again. Once it seems to be on the auction block. But this time the auctioneer is in Berlin. Dalmatia is one of the prizes that Italy may look forward to winning if Premier Mussolini helps Reichsfuehrer Hitler to victory — so the reports run. But in the dog-eat-dog world of sheer force can a middle-sized dog forget that when he has dined on a little dog there is still a big dog intending to dine on both? Germany was too near the Adriatic for Italian comfort in 1914. How must Italians feel now that the Third Reich's conquest of Austria has brought a greater Germany within sixty miles of Trieste? — "Christian Science Monitor."

ITALY IS NOW ON BRINK OF WAR

By VERNON BARTLETT

HERR VON RIBBENTROP, with that boastful conceit which made him one of the most unpopular Ambassadors in history, has been claiming that Herr Hitler will dictate the new status of Europe from Paris at the end of June.

There is also the report that the Nazis are to be in England by that time. Neither claim arouses the slightest interest among British or session of the relevant facts.

The French General Staff has never shared the great optimism which led the Dutch and Belgians to refuse staff talks until the invasion made it too late to hold them.

OFF BALANCE SHEET

Had these talks been possible some months ago there is very little doubt but that Holland would still be holding out, except in the Eastern provinces, which were never expected to do more than delay the Germans until the flooding was complete, and that the Belgians would be securely holding the entire line of the Albert Canal. In the absence of these talks the French had more or less wiped Belgium and Holland off the balance sheet.

This is in no way whatsoever a criticism of the army of either country. It is merely the recognition that a political factor—the fear of offending the German neighbour by the least appearance of “un-neutral” behaviour—has of necessity greatly reduced the effects of Belgian and Dutch resistance. Each hour that they have been able to hold the German advance, and each gallon of petrol that the Germans have spent on attacking them is looked upon as a gain in the preliminary skirmishing for what may well be one of the decisive battles of the world.

Refugees of non-Dutch nationality who have arrived in London all tell the same tale of Dutch gallantry in face of an attack more varied and full of surprises than any attack that had preceded it. In particular, they have had to deal with large-scale parachute warfare and its demoralising consequences. Also the Germans have been dropping very much heavier bombs than any used hitherto.

BELGIAN DEFENCE

As for the Belgians, they still have intact a large and highly efficient army fighting with a stubbornness worthy of its predecessor in 1914. Its existence is of the greatest importance in view of Germany's marked preponderance in man-power over the French and British Armies combined.

It is for military experts to appraise our prospects in the present battle. But economically one can also put on the credit side the fact that the Dutch Fleet and Mercantile Marine will have escaped the disaster that has overcome the Dutch Army and civilian population. Also a part of the Army has crossed into Belgium, where it will continue the struggle.

There is, of course, still a possibility that even the battle now developing will not be the only, or the main, German attack. Germany has a large army concentrated in the Black Forest, once so popular a holiday resort, not far from the Swiss frontier. I hear also that the flat-bottomed boats which have played a considerable part in the invasion of Holland have made their appearance on the shores of Lake Constance, the northern shore of which is German and the southern shore Swiss.

ITALY MOVING SOON?

An invasion of Switzerland would in all probability coincide with Italy's entry into the war, and there are indications that this has become almost a certainty.

If the anti-British campaign in Italian cities is designed to provoke the British and French into action, it is not likely to succeed, for it would obviously be unwise to give Signor

Mussolini any excuse which would help to fill his unwilling people with warlike enthusiasm.

If it is designed for internal consumption it may be rather more effective, for it is relatively easy to persuade Italians that their poverty is due to the iniquities of the British contraband system and not to exaggerated armaments. The British Government has always been prepared to discuss modifications of the system but it is impossible to do so if the Italian Government boasts that it is not neutral and hopes for a Nazi victory.

PEOPLE AGAINST WAR

Against reports that Italian intervention is now inevitable can be put the fact that Italian shipping seems to be following its normal programme except as far as one line to Istanbul is concerned. Also the popular feeling is still against war.

Whatever happens in the next few days it can never be said, in any countries but Italy and Germany, that the British Government has let pass any opportunity of reaching an understanding with Italy, even though, by this policy, it has greatly hampered the work of its own Ministry of Blockade.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

SUBJECT: ANCIENT AND MODERN NECROMANCY, ALIAS MESMERISM AND HYPNOTISM, DENOUNCED.

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow, June 2nd, will be: “Ancient and Modern Necromancy, Alias Mesmerism and Hypnotism, Denounced.”

The golden text will be: “Sing unto the Lord, praise ye the Lord: for he hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.” (Jeremiah 20: 13).

ROME AUDIENCE BOOS GERMAN WAR FILM

A news-reel film showing German soldiers entering Oslo evoked an anti-Nazi demonstration in a Rome cinema, according to an Italian who has just arrived in Monte Carlo from Italy.

The audience, he said, shouted, “Long live the Allies.” The police were called in and cleared the theatre.—Reuter.

BROTHERS ON SECRETS CHARGE

Wearing the uniform of a Lieutenant in the Royal Naval Reserve, Montague Patrick Kingston Fyrth, twenty-eight, of West Allington, Bridport, Dorset, stood beside his civilian brother, Hubert Fyrth, in the dock at Exeter charged with offences under the Official Secrets Act.

Montague Fyrth was charged with having in his possession information to which he had access owing to his position in the Service, and communicating it to Hubert Fyrth.

Further charges against him were of having in his possession at Nantes, France, information which he used in a manner prejudicial to the interest of the State, and of communicating to Hubert Fyrth information which might be useful to the enemy.

Hubert Fyrth was charged with receiving information and also with having in his possession and communicating it to the proprietors of the “Daily Worker” information obtained in contravention of the Official Secrets Acts.

A third charge against Hubert Fyrth was that he attempted to communicate information to Ronald Kidd at Exeter.

Hubert Fyrth was described as a twenty-two-year-old student lecturer, of City Mansions, Exmouth Market, London, E. C.

The Chief Constable of Exeter, Mr. F. T. Tarry, said:—

“Yesterday Superintendent A. E. Rowsell and Sergeant Turner arrested Montague Fyrth at Southampton. Hubert Fyrth was arrested in Exeter. “The arrest of the naval officer

NUDITY ON STAGE: NEW BID

New moves to deal with the growth of stage nudity are being made by Trade Unions, who feel that the conditions and status of theatrical workers are being undermined.

British Equity, the actors' Trade Union, and the National Association of Theatrical Employees have asked the L.C.C. to arrange a further conference with the Lord Chamberlain, at which their views can be discussed. A memorandum setting out Equity's views was before the meeting with West End managers recently.

SKILLED ARTISTS HIT

Mr. T. O'Brien, secretary of N.A.T.E., said that the tendency, particularly in the provinces, was for these nude shows to attract audiences from the theatres putting on normal programmes.

“Theatres which do not exploit nudity employ skilled artists; those showing strip-tease rely mainly on nudist appeal,” he added. “Some theatres may have to close down if this continues, with resultant unemployment among both technicians and artists.”

Mr. Llewellyn Rees, Acting Secretary of Equity, said:—

“At present lower paid chorus girls are often faced with the problem of having no work at all or having to do nude work.”

DEGRADING SHOWS

“In many cases they refuse, with the result that our dancers and singers are replaced by girls whose only qualification is that they are prepared to undress.”

“That is not good for us as a Trade Union. It increases our employment. The girls feel the work degrading and likely to lower the status of the stage.”

“We are not concerned with the stars who can get £100 a week for this; our concern is for the girls being exploited by this nudist craze. That is true particularly of girls giving performances at bottle parties, where they appear within a few feet of the audience.”

was made with the knowledge and by arrangement with the Admiralty.”

When the Chief Constable asked for a remand Montague Fyrth asked for bail, “because I am not guilty.” His brother made a similar application, both of which were refused.

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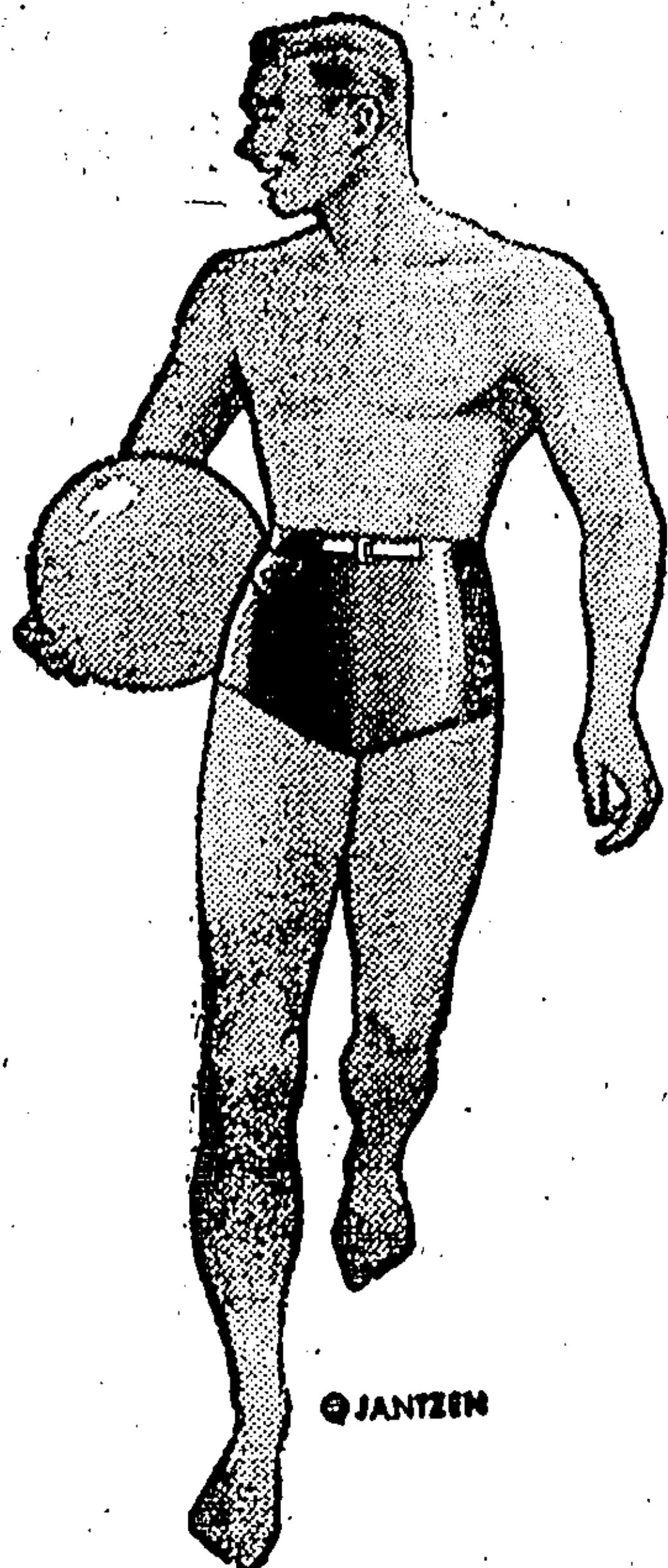
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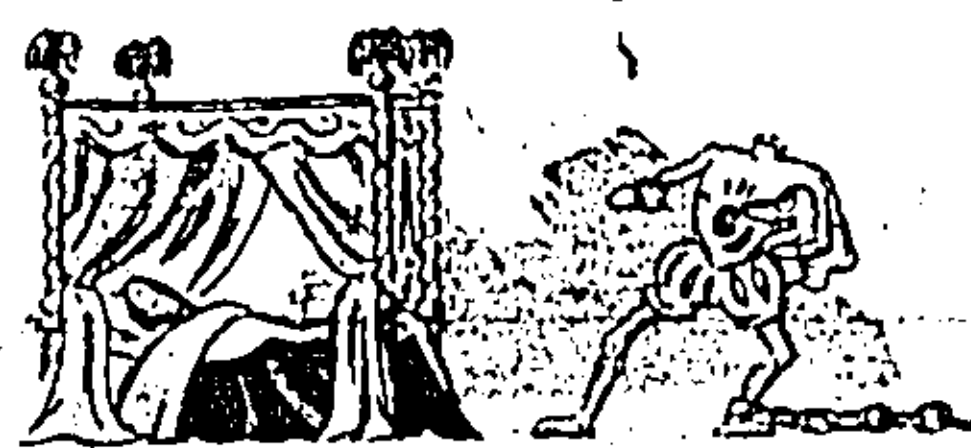
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SWITZERLAND HAS PREPARED FOR A BLITZ-DEFENCE

I WENT to south-eastern Europe on the day that Germany invaded the two small neutral and democratic countries of Denmark and Norway. I arrived in Zurich on the day that Mr. Chamberlain announced in the House of Commons that the British and French forces were obliged to withdraw from southern Norway.

In the debate that followed in the House Sir Archibald Sinclair warned that this loss of prestige would mean that all small neutral States would hasten to come to terms with Germany.

Within a few hours I had visible experience of the reaction of Switzerland.

The beautiful—and empty—Hotel Baur-au-Lac lies on the Lake of Zurich in the midst of that handsome town, and is fronted by gardens and pavilions. On the evening of the debate in the House of Commons I walked part-way around this lake, noticing the green-painted benches conveniently set at every few yards. The next morning I went out again and the benches had disappeared. In their place was a neatly-made entanglement of barbed wire.

VOLUNTARY DISCIPLINE

This is the country that took the peace of Munich as the signal for war preparations. Every victory for Germany strengthens its spirit and intensifies the war preparations.

Switzerland is the world's oldest democracy. I am now convinced that it is also the world's best democracy. For years democracy has been almost a synonym for weakness, slowness, lack of realism, laxness and softness. Denmark, a highly civilised country, has found for years that armaments were too costly. She and all the Scandinavian countries have preferred to spend money for education and social welfare.

Switzerland loves and cultivates the arts of peace, no less than they, and has not been involved in war since the days of Napoleon. But Switzerland is a democracy that is as hard as her stony Alps. The most tolerant country on earth, composed of all the three main races, nations and languages of Europe, and without even a common speech, decentralised down to the last village, practising still in some of her cantons the direct political democracy which was the ideal of Thomas Jefferson, this country flies together in time of danger as one man, produces a voluntary discipline which the most rigidly organised dictatorship cannot but admire, accepts with wide open eyes terrific burdens, prepares for every emergency down to the last child, and turns towards the neighbouring Goliath the glaring eye of David.

Whoever may invade Switzerland will have to fight their way yard by yard. Switzerland, having taken stock of the technique of the Blitz-war, has prepared for a Blitz-defence. She has prepared in all fields—military, social and political. She knows how she will oppose military invaders and what she will do with quislings and traitors. The highest degree of individualism is combined with the highest degree of organisation.

Switzerland is in time of crisis a totalitarian democracy. That seems to be a contradiction in terms but it is not. She is a democracy in which every free man has agreed upon and knows what he must do at a given moment to defend his own freedom and the freedom of his country.

EVERY MAN A SOLDIER

The army of Switzerland is the male population of Switzerland. That is precisely the fact. Every man between the ages of 20 and 48 is mobilised. Every boy between the ages of 18 and 20 and every man between the ages of 48 and 60 belongs to the reserve.

And yet in Switzerland one has the impression of peace and civilian life. Except at the borders, where the watch is constant, one sees few uniforms—in contrast to the rest of Europe, "neutral" or not, where the swarms of soldiers create the impression that the nation is at war.

That is because the barracks of the Swiss soldier is his own home. His uniform hangs in his closet; his rifle and bayonet are oiled and ready, and he has had 60 rounds of ammunition distributed to him. This is the only country in the world which can trust every one of its citizens to be his own arsenal. And this is the more impressive because there is no Swiss nation. There is a Swiss State and a Swiss Confederation,

but the "nation" is composed of Germans, Italians and Frenchmen, with the Germans in the large majority.

The other day a test mobilisation was held in a neighbouring canton. At 10 a.m. the order was handed to the local authorities. At 10.10 every church bell in the canton rang. Clerks left their desks instantaneously, farmers left their fields, and at exactly 12 noon every man was uniformed, armed and at his place.

No country can mobilise faster than this one, where the greatest amount of authority is delegated to the individual.

"WE KNOW THE ENEMY"

"But haven't you your Henchins and your Quislings?" It is a natural question to ask in a country whose longest frontier is on Germany, where the majority of the people

By
Dorothy Thompson

belong to the German race; one which has the highest proportion of resident foreigners of any country in Europe, and where language forms no barrier to political penetration over a large part of the State.

"Of course we have them," is the prompt answer. "All countries have a few potential traitors, some who are corrupt and some who are fanatical, but our authorities know who they are."

"Why don't you expel them?"

"Some are Swiss citizens, and why should we expel spies whom we know? New ones would come. But we have other means of dealing with them. We have learned something from other countries."

"What will you do?"

"The order has gone out if anyone is caught sabotaging in time of war any Swiss soldier has the duty to shoot him without further orders. If the radio or the Press announces that the Government has resigned and a new Government been set up we are to disregard it and continue to fight."

In the last war, during which Switzerland was also continually on the alert, cleft sympathies separated the French and German cantons. There is not even the apprehension of division now. "We know this time who the enemy is," say the Swiss. They say it in German, as well as in French.

Not only are the men mobilised—500,000 in a nation of 4,000,000, not counting the reserves—but the whole country is crossed and criss-crossed with a network of defences.

God is good to Switzerland. The craggy mountain peaks are her first defences, and they are also to a large part her munition store-houses. Hidden in the caves and crevices of the rocks which do not need to be camouflaged are stores of arms. Other arms are stored in the most insouciant way—in little houses built of pink or white or blue plaster, just like other little houses. At every few hundred feet on the main roads one sees checker boards of neat squares. Each of these is a trapdoor. Lift it and an emplacement is underneath, in which, in a jiffy, a forest of steel barriers can be placed.

OATH OF THE CITIZENS

Along the roads are immense posts, each with neat rows of barbed wire at hand, with cement tank defences in the neighbouring fields. Mines are at hand for every river; every lake is defended in case an attempt is made to land on their glassy surfaces with amphibian planes.

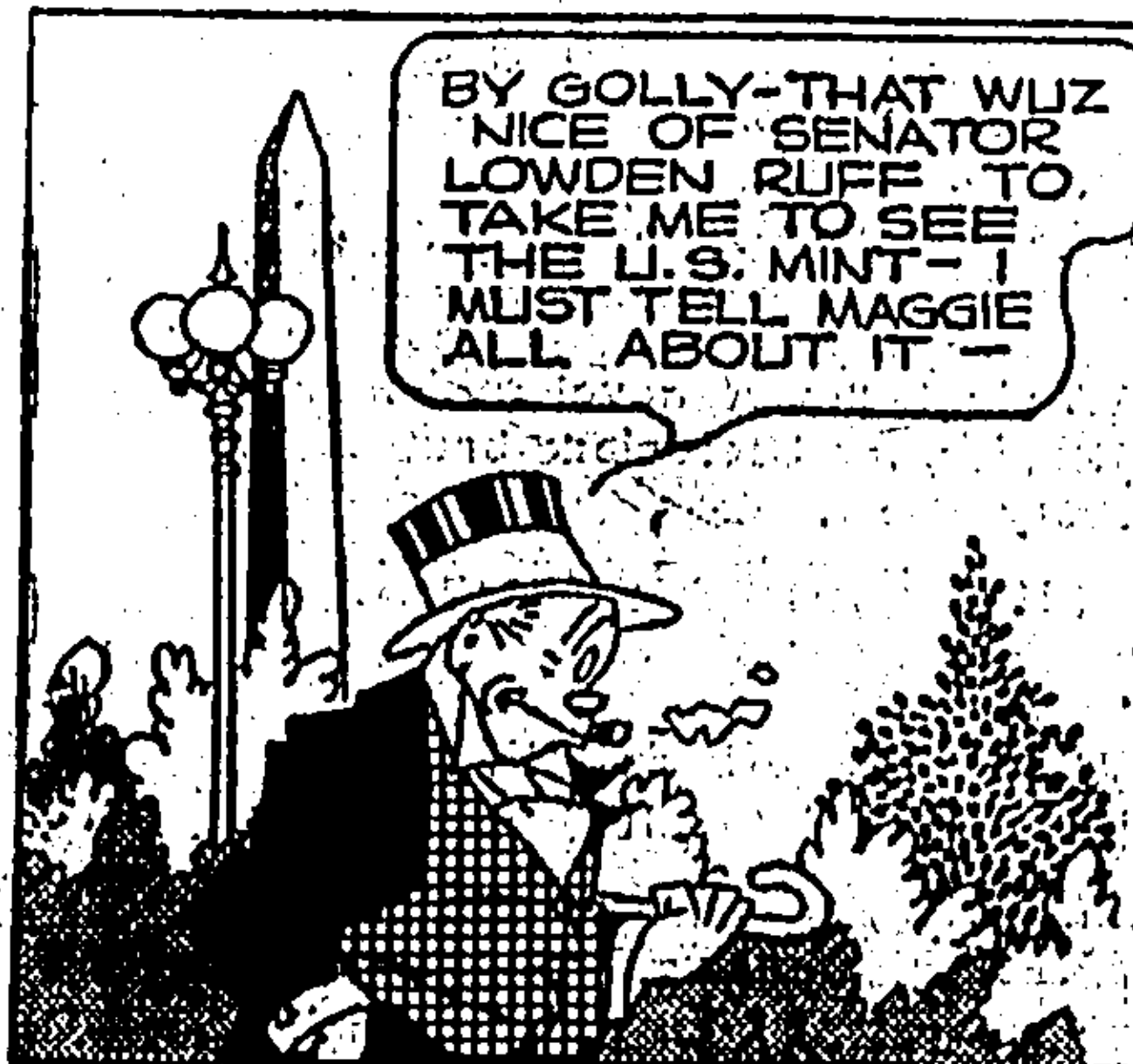
But, above all, every citizen knows what to do. He does not consider himself quite like the citizens of other countries. From boyhood he has been trained for citizenship in the democracy. He is accustomed to being consulted and accustomed to being given, and being prepared to take, individual responsibility.

He not only belongs to a country; he belongs to the "Comradeship of the Oath," which is the German translation of the name of the Swiss Republic—the "Eidgenossenschaft." Switzerland was created by a pact made between free men never to bend

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Bringing Up Father

By George McManus





Rex Harrison and Merle Oberon in Alexander Korda's "Over the Moon," in Technicolour, which comes to the King's Theatre to-day.

FULL FORCE OF ENEMY'S BLOWS YET TO COME

LONDON, TO-DAY.

"THE FULL FORCE OF THE ENEMY'S BLOWS HAS YET TO COME UPON US. IF AND WHEN IT DOES BRITAIN WILL STAND FOUR SQUARE, UNWAVERING AND STRONG IN HEART," DECLARED MR. ARTHUR GREENWOOD, MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO, IN A BROADCAST ADDRESS LAST NIGHT.

Mr. Greenwood added: Therefore I say to you, put forth your whole strength, fortify your spirit, guard your honour, and to your prayers add performance.

AWARDS TO BRITISH AIR HEROES

London, To-day.

A slight indication of the magnificent work of the R.A.F. is given in the last list (No. 43) of awards issued by the Air Ministry.

It contains the names of 28 officers from a flying officer to a wing commander who received the D.F.C., and 17 N.C.O.'s and men from leading aircraftsmen — 10 of them — to a flight sergeant who received the D.F.M.

No fewer than 10 recipients of the awards were born or educated in the Dominions and India.

Membership of the British Empire Order (M.B.E.) Military Division is conferred on Pilot-Officer E. A. Wickenkamp, missing, believed killed in action.

He was born at Borchester, Nebraska, U.S.A., and was educated in Canada. — Reuter.

SWITZERLAND HAS PREPARED FOR A BLITZ-DEFENCE

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the knee to a tyrant. It is a country like our own, based not upon race and nationality but upon the destiny determined by geography and upon common faith in an idea. And every child knows it.

Never for a moment does the fear of offending Germany lead this people to be taciturn about the differences in ideas which separate them—they joyfully admit—more completely from Nazism than any people in Europe.

"JOYFUL DANGER"

During the great Swiss Exposition last year they used every opportunity to tell their own people and visitors from all the world, including Germany, just what Switzerland stands for. In huge letters in all European languages stood the words: "No Swiss can be held in a position of subjection nor can he claim any privilege because of birth, family or person."

Switzerland believes that she has a mission—to continue to demonstrate to Europe and the world that men of all nations can live together in peace and prosperity when they know the limits of nationality, and when they have learned that freedom and responsibility are one and the same thing. And in time of danger, far from minimizing their belief and their traditions, they intensify them. They live in what was described by the Swiss Bundespräsident on August 1 last, as a state of "joyful danger."

"Emulate the magnificent prowess of our fighting men. Let their courage be yours, let their example inspire you for the fulfilment of our high aims."

Hitler, he said, was biting on granite, for while we shared with submerged people their love of liberty, we possessed what they did not—mighty resources not yet tapped and canalised in support of the war effort.

"Hitler can draw no picture of a nation riven by internal strife and torn by petty dissensions.

"He will see a people so grimly determined, so certain in their hearts that evil must give way to good; that they will turn every reverse, every defeat, into the seeds of future success."—Reuter.

PRINCESS IRENE BAPTISED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IRENE, YOUNGER DAUGHTER OF PRINCESS JULIANA AND PRINCE BERNHARD, WAS BAPTISED IN THE PRIVATE CHAPEL AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE YESTERDAY.

Queen Elizabeth acted as witness and was one of the Godparents along with representatives of the Dutch Navy and the Dutch and Netherlands Indies armies.

King George and Queen Wilhelmina were present at the ceremony.—Reuter.

QUIET TRADING ON THE STOCK MARKET

London, To-day.

Gilt-edged securities rallied late on the Stock Exchange yesterday after early easiness. Indian Governments were steady. Industrials were irregular while gold-minings were marked lower on lack of support. Trading was very quiet owing to natural caution on the part of investors.

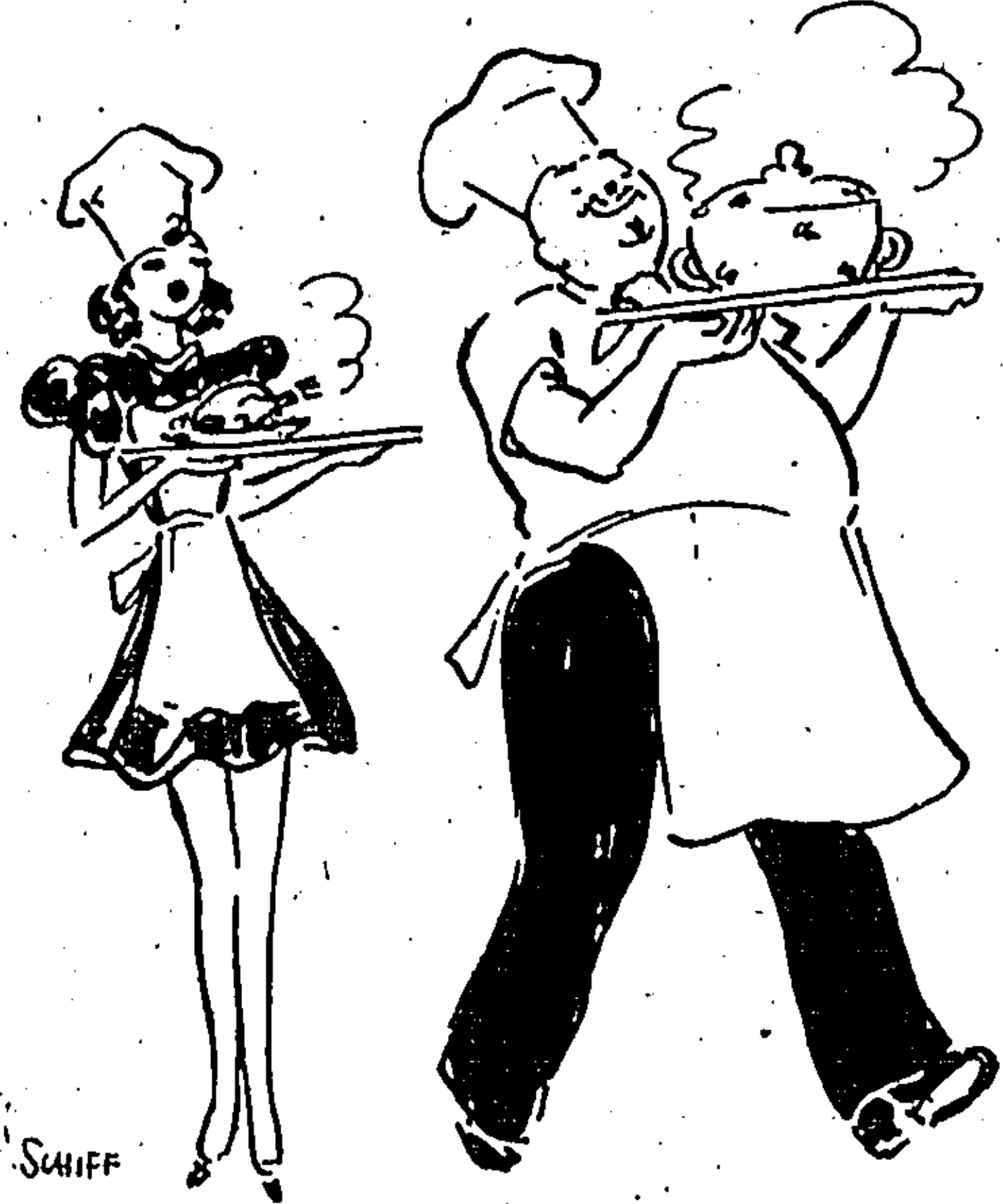
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Shanghai	June 2.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 25th May	June 3.
Saigon	June 3.
Manila	June 3.
Haiphong and Hoihow	June 3.
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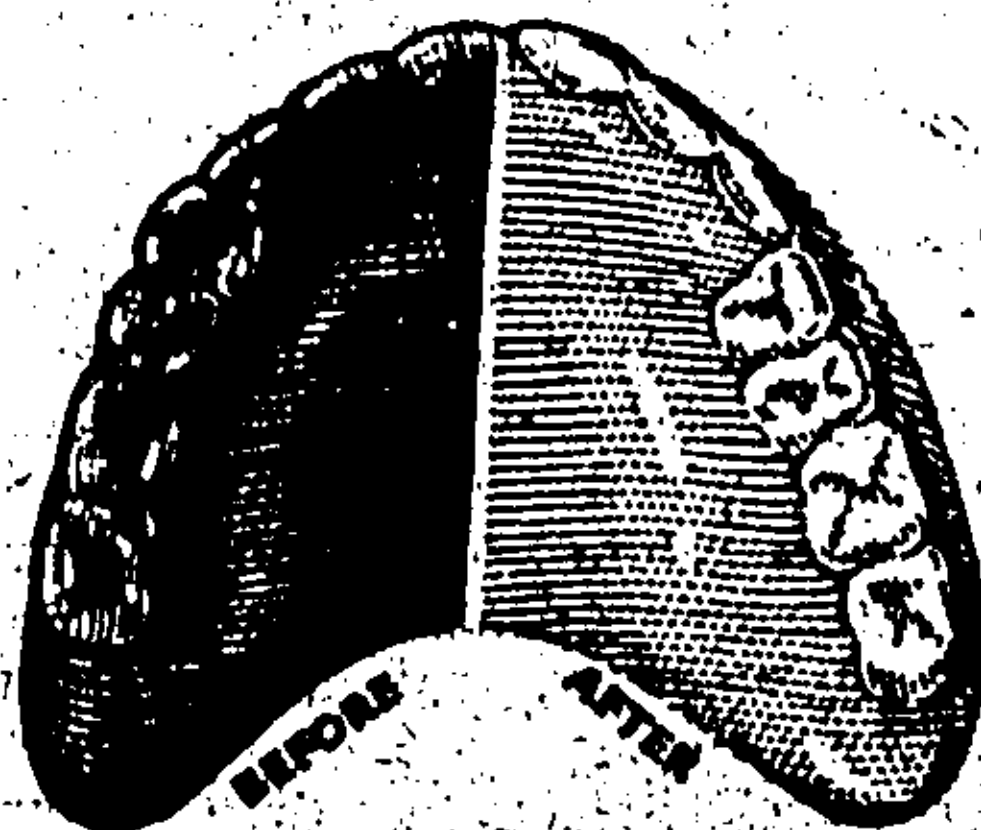
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Fort Bayard		June 1, 11.30 a.m.
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Manila		June 1, 5.30 p.m.
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Fort Bayard		June 1, 5.30 p.m.
	SUNDAY	
Shanghai		June 2, 9.00 a.m.
	MONDAY	
Canton		June 3, 7.15 a.m.
Manila, Straits, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Par.,	June 1, 5.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	June 1, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 3, 8.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard and Hoihow		June 3, Noon.
Haiphong		June 3, Noon.
Parcels only for Tientsin		June 3, Noon.
Canton		June 3, 7.00 p.m.
	TUESDAY	
Shanghai		June 4, 8.30 a.m.
Manila		June 4, 10.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Tientsin		June 4, 1.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco—(No Parcels for Canada).	K.P.O.	
	Par.,	June 4, 4.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	June 4, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 4, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Par.,	June 4, 4.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	June 4, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 4, 6.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service".	K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	June 4, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 4, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	June 4, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 4, 7.00 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service".	K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	June 4, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 4, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	June 4, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 4, 7.00 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service".	K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	June 4, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 4, 5.30 p.m.
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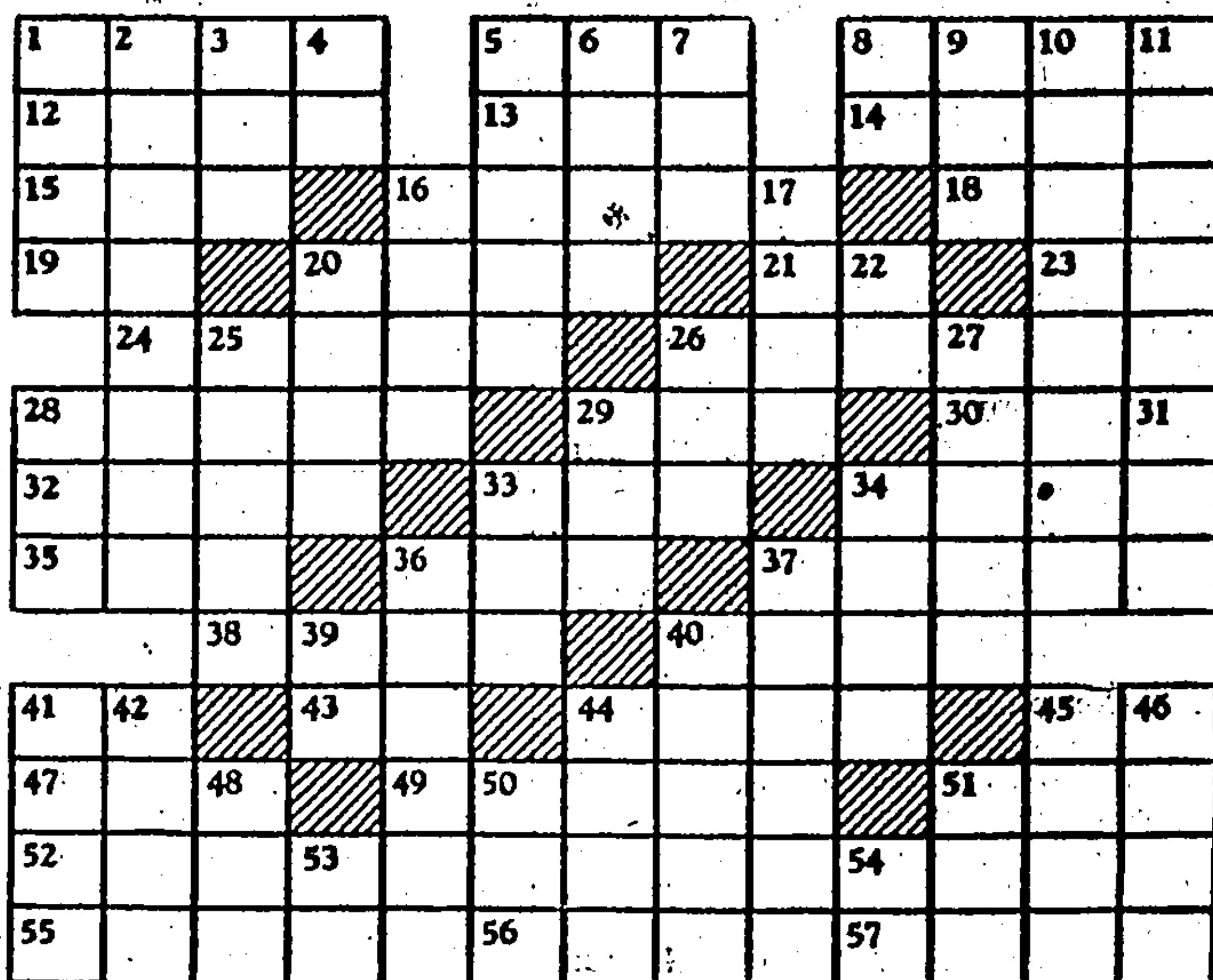
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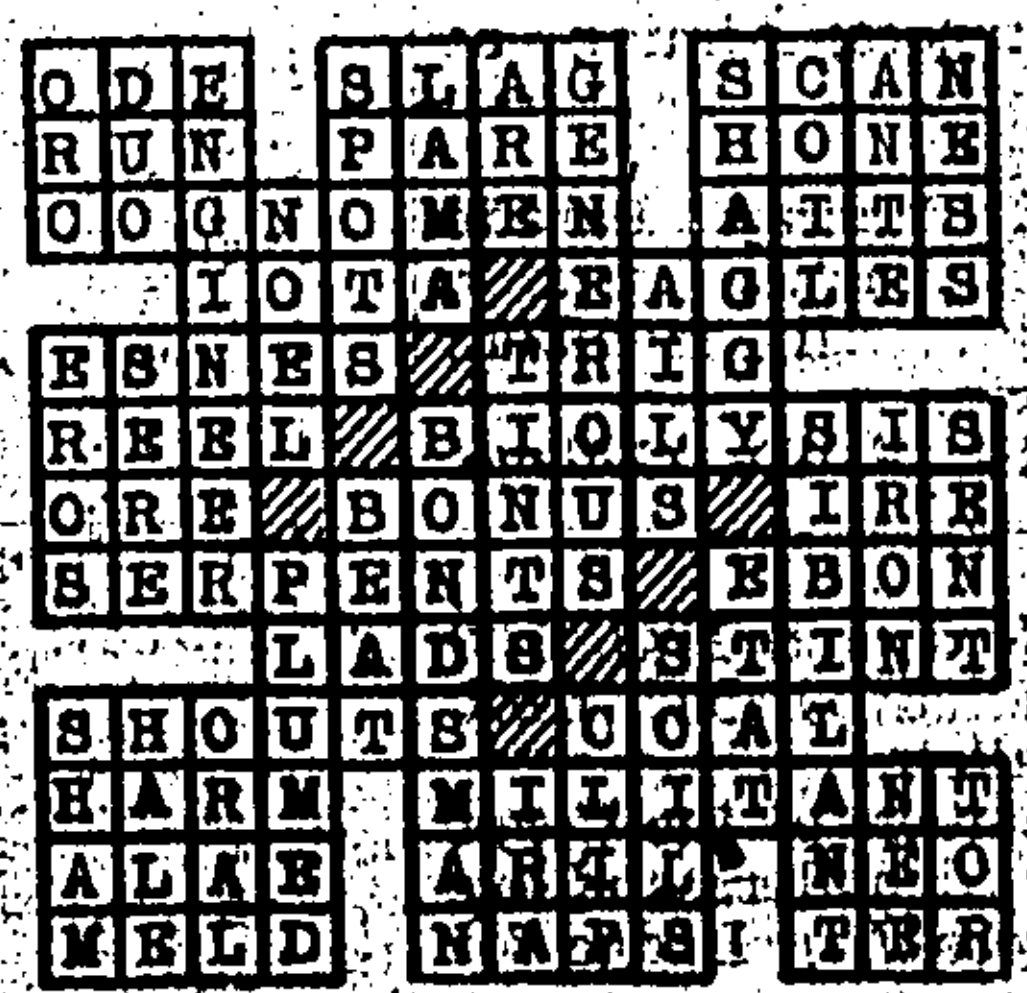
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- 5 Snow runner
- 8 To declare
- 12 Animate
- 13 Small child
- 14 Japanese aborigine
- 15 Anglo-Saxon money
- 16 Pointed
- 18 Siamese coin
- 19 Pronoun
- 20 Spanish cooking vessel
- 21 Concerning
- 23 Exclamation
- 24 Pertaining to law
- 26 Lucid
- 28 Name
- 29 Owning
- 30 Indo-Chinese language
- 32 Former English queen
- 33 To hasten
- 34 Young horse
- 35 Former Turkish officer
- 36 Animal's mother
- 37 Sounds
- 38 Stair

- 40 Young female
- 41 Siberian river
- 43 Whether
- 44 Vases
- 45 Note of scale
- 47 Card game
- 49 Strange
- 51 Metal
- 52 Discomfiture
- 55 Death notice
- 56 Music: high
- 57 Sea eagle

VERTICAL

- 1 Inert
- 2 Mercenary
- 3 Hummingbird
- 4 Pronoun
- 5 Tranquil
- 6 Hindu god of love
- 7 European fish
- 8 Cooled lava
- 9 By way of
- 10 To captivate
- 11 Roster
- 16 Wings
- 17 To distribute
- 20 To eye amorously
- 22 Symbol for iron
- 25 Heating apparatuses
- 26 Billiard stick
- 27 Coral island
- 28 Chinese pagoda
- 29 Faint
- 31 Pronoun
- 33 Chance
- 34 Centers
- 36 To procrastinate
- 37 Prongs
- 39 Note of scale
- 40 Ground grain
- 41 Buttery oil
- 42 Explosive
- 44 Russian mountain range
- 45 European
- 46 Poker term
- 48 Japanese sake
- 50 Period of time
- 51 Music: three
- 53 Proposition
- 54 Pronoun

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Orders by Lt.-Col. H. B. Rose, M.C. Commandant, H.K.V.D.C.

Hong Kong, Friday 31st May, 1940
Medical Orderly Officer—
Recruits Medical Examination:
Fri. 7th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lt. G. T. Balean.

King's Birthday Parade:
Mon. 10th June. Murray Parade Ground. 5.45 p.m. Practice Parade. Those detailed. Dress—Mufti or Overalls. Rifles to be drawn (from 5 p.m.) and cleaned in time to take them on Parade by those carrying them. Slings must be brought.

Thurs. 13th June. King's Birthday Parade. Those detailed.
These are both Commandant's Parades for those detailed.

Officers & N.C.O.'s. Course:
Tues. 4th June. Council Chamber, C.S.O. Those detailed.

(a) 5.45 p.m. Patrol Duties on the Western Front—Capt. G. E. Neve, H.Q., C.C.

(b) 6.30 p.m. Rifle Platoon in attack—Officer from 2/R.S.

Wed. 5th June. Council Chamber, C.S.O. Those detailed.

(a) 5.45 p.m. Revision—Lt. Col. H. B. Rose.

(b) 6.30 p.m. Discipline—Maj. S. F. Hedgecoe.

Lecture—Care of Respirators:

Mon. 3rd June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. More than one representative per unit may attend. Lecture by Captain V. C. Branson, M.C.

PARADES—Corps Artillery

Military Hygiene & Sanitation:

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Final lecture.

Manning:

The next Manning will take place on Sat. 22nd June and not on Sun. 16th June. Full details later.

1st Battery:

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. for D'Aguiar. Returning 10 p.m. Layers and D.R.F. Classes. Dress—Mufti, S.D. caps, overalls and G.P. shoes, knife, fork and plate to be carried.

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L.G. Class. Sight setting, aiming and firing. Dress—Mufti.

Wed. 5th June. Belchers. 5.45 p.m. Lecture on "Care of Equipment" by Lt. W. Squires, R.A. Dress—Mufti.

Wed. 5th June. H.Q. for Stanley. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Section. Training on Lights. Dress—Mufti, overalls to be carried.

Fri. 7th June. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Layers Class and D.R.F. Class. Dress—Overalls.

Fri. 7th June. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. B.C. Staff and Nos. 1. Miniature Range. Dress—Mufti.

2nd Battery:

Tues. 4th June. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m. Recruits. Gun drill and Dummy leader. Dress—Mufti. Overalls and S.D. caps to be carried if in possession.

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. for Bluff Head. 5.45 p.m. D.E.L. B.O.P. Staff and all qualified Layers and Rangefinders. Dress—Mufti. Overalls, S.D. caps and waterbottles (filled) to be carried by all personnel and gun platform shoes by layers.

Wed. 5th June. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m. New Layers and Rangefinders' Classes. Dress—Mufti. Overalls and S.D. caps to be carried.

Thurs. 6th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lecture Room. Whole Battery. Lecture by Mr. Squires. "Organisation

of a Regular Coast Defence Battery in War". Dress—Mufti.

3rd Battery:

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. All members requiring new kit and change of kit to report to B.Q.M.S. White.

Thurs. 6th June. H.Q. for Aberdeen. 5.15 p.m. Dress—Mufti. Overalls and S.D. caps to be carried.

4th Battery:

Tues. 4th June. D.E.L. School. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Personnel. Engines. Dress—Mufti. Overalls to be carried.

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. "D" Section. Rifle and marching drill. Dress—Mufti.

Fri. 7th June. Queen's Pier for Pakshawan. 5.30 p.m. B.C. Staff, No. 2 Gun (all) D.E.L. "A" Relief, Signallers. Laying and B.C. Staff instruction, Lights and engines, signalling. Dress—Mufti, S.D. caps, overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried.

5th A.A. Battery:

Tues. 4th June. Queen's Pier. 5.15 p.m. Those detailed. Practical training. Dress—Mufti.

Thurs. 6th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N. 1 Section. Rifle Course. Overalls and webbing less haversack and waterbottle.

Thurs. 6th June. Queen's Pier. 5.15 p.m. No. 2 Section. 3" equipment. Dress—Mufti. Overalls to be carried.

Field Company Engineers:

Mon. 3rd June. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Drill.

Thurs. 6th June. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Lecture by Lt. Hilton, R.E. on Floating Bridge Equipment.

Corps Signals:

Mon. 3rd June. H.Q. 5.20 p.m. (i) Regular Army Class, Semaphore. (ii) Second Year Class, Signal Training. (iii) First Year Signallers' Class commences.

Wed. 5th June. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Those detailed for D/R. instruction under Sgt. Coppin.

Fri. 7th June. H.Q. 5.20 p.m. (i) W/T Section, advanced operating. (ii) Reconnaissance over Coy. Areas. (iii) First Year Signallers' Class. Signal training.

Mobile Column—

Armoured Car Platoon:

Mon. 3rd June. Hung Hom. 5.30 p.m. Driving instruction.

Fri. 7th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lecture by P.S.M. Overy.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon:

Mon. 3rd June. Hung Hom. 5.30 p.m. Map reading.

Fri. 7th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. M.G. instruction.

No. 1 Company:

Tues. 4th June and Fri. 7th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Training under Section arrangements for inter-section competition.

No. 2 Company:

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s. Class.

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No. 3 Company:

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No. 4 Company:

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No. 5 Company:

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Care and mechanism of Rifle.

No. 6 Company:

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L.G. instruction (continued).

No. 7 Company:

Thurs. 6th June. H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Squad and arms drill. N.C.O.'s. Class. L.G. training. T.E.O.T. 5, 6, 7.

Army Service Corps:

Thurs. 6th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Whole Company. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps. L.M.G. Those detailed. Subjects—Sight setting, aiming and firing. S.A.T. Rifle. Those detailed. Subjects—Aiming at targets at Service Distances; Aiming at Ground.

Field Ambulance:

Wed. 5th June. Murray Parade Ground. 5.30 p.m. Practice parade for King's Birthday. All members must attend. Uniform.

Fri. 7th June. St. Paul's College. 5.30 p.m. Lecture.

Pay Section:

Fri. 7th June. Command H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s. detailed by O.C. Unit. Qualification—Signaller.

The following members of the Corps Signals classified as Signallers and are entitled to wear Cross-Flag Badge for one year:—

First Year (T.A.)—

L/Cpl. G. F. Walker, Signmn. C. J.

of a Regular Coast Defence Battery in War". Dress—Mufti.

3rd Battery:

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. All members requiring new kit and change of kit to report to B.Q.M.S. White.

Thurs. 6th June. H.Q. for Aberdeen. 5.15 p.m. Dress—Mufti. Overalls and S.D. caps to be carried.

4th Battery:

Tues. 4th June. D.E.L. School. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Personnel. Engines. Dress—Mufti. Overalls to be carried.

Tues. 4th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. "D" Section. Rifle and marching drill. Dress—Mufti.

Fri. 7th June. Queen's Pier for Pakshawan. 5.30 p.m. B.C. Staff, No. 2 Gun (all) D.E.L. "A" Relief, Signallers. Laying and B.C. Staff instruction, Lights and engines, signalling. Dress—Mufti, S.D. caps, overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried.

5th A.A. Battery:

Tues. 4th June. Queen's Pier. 5.15 p.m. Those detailed. Practical training. Dress—Mufti.

Thurs. 6th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N. 1 Section. Rifle Course. Overalls and webbing less haversack and waterbottle.

Thurs. 6th June. Queen's Pier. 5.15 p.m. No. 2 Section. 3" equipment. Dress—Mufti. Overalls to be carried.

Field Company Engineers:

Mon. 3rd June. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Drill.

Thurs. 6th June. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Lecture by Lt. Hilton, R.E. on Floating Bridge Equipment.

Corps Signals:

Mon. 3rd June. H.Q. 5.20 p.m. (i) Regular Army Class, Semaphore. (ii) Second Year Class, Signal Training. (iii) First Year Signallers' Class commences.

Wed. 5th June. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Those detailed for D/R. instruction under Sgt. Coppin.

Fri. 7th June. H.Q. 5.20 p.m. (i) W/T Section, advanced operating. (ii) Reconnaissance over Coy. Areas. (iii) First Year Signallers' Class. Signal training.

Mobile Column—

Armoured Car Platoon:

Mon. 3rd June. Hung Hom. 5.30 p.m. Driving instruction.

Fri. 7th June. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lecture by P.S.M. Overy.

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Simmelmann, Signmn. J. S. Rose, Signmn. A. Hill, Signmn. I. G. Johnson, Signmn. W. S. Gegg and Signmn. B. S. Wilson.

Second Year (T.A.)—

A/Sgt. T. S. D. Hirst, Cpl. W. G. Poy, L/Cpl. M. Wong Quincey, Signmn. H. J. Fountain, Signmn. L. Glendinning, Signmn. C. L. Salter, Signmn. V. Bourne, Signmn. W. Eu, and Signmn. B. K. Yip.

Transfers:

Pte. R. S. Ablong, No. 5 M.G. Coy to Fd. Coy.—28.5.40.

CQMS. J. G. Hooper, 1st Bty. to Unit Res.—31.5.40.

Lt. W. H. Owen, 4th Bty. to Corps Art H.Q.—31.5.40.

Leave:

Pte. A. Rootstein, Fd. Ambulance, 20.5.40—15.9.40.

Cpl. G. Schiller, Fd. Ambulance, 20.5.40—15.9.40.

Pte. E. Shapiro, Fd. Ambulance, 20.5.40—15.9.40.

Pte. M. Grossman, Fd. Ambulance, 20.5.40—15.9.40.

Cpl. E. L. Rissin, Fd. Ambulance, 20.5.40—15.9.40.

Pte. Chai Kim Swee, Fd. Ambulance, 23.5.40—9.9.40.

Pte. Chan Kwong Fook, Fd. Ambulance, 23.5.40—9.9.40.

Pte. A. K. Jacob, Fd. Ambulance, 25.5.40—25.9.40.

Pte. W. H. Peters, No. 3 Coy, 25.5.40—24.6.40.

Signmn. S. MacNider, Corps Sigs., 26.5.40—2.6.40.

L/Bdr. G. H. Cauthery, 5th A.A. Bty., 27.5.40—1.7.40.

Cpl. L. D. Purves, A.S.C. Coy., 27.5.40—29.5.40.

Cpl. L. D. Purves, A.S.C. Coy., 28.5.40—17.6.40.

Pte. S. Grove, Air Arm, 28.5.40—17.6.40.

Pte. J. B. Kooter, A. S. C. Coy., 28.5.40—21.11.40.

Gnr. J. Hart-Davis, 2nd Bty., 30.5.40—2.6.40.

CQMS. R. C. Butler, Mob. Column, 30.5.40—29.6.40.

Capt. K. S. Morrison, Res. of Offrs., 30.5.40—12.6.40.

Gnr. K. Broch, 1st Bty. 1.6.40—30.6.40.

Signmn. B. K. Yip, Corps Sigs., 1.6.40—1.7.40.

Pte. F. H. Baker, Fd. Ambulance, 4.6.40—18.6.40.

Gnr. Z. A. Kossakowski, 1st Bty., 7.6.40—28.7.40.

Gnr. Kwok Kai Chiu, 4th Battery, 23.5.40—25.6.40.

The following leave is cancelled:—

Gnr. A. W. Holland, 2nd Battery, 23.5.40—1.10.40.

Promotion:

CQMS. J. G. Hooper, 1st Bty. Res. to be Sgt.—31.5.40.

Strength-Decrease:

Sgt. C. H. Dodson, A.S.C. Coy.—6.9.39.

Sgt. I. M. da Silva, No. 5 Coy. —27.2.40.

Gnr. Chu Yu Kwan, 5th A.A. Bty. —15.5.40.

Pte. W. A. H. Duff, No. 1. Coy., —25.5.40.

Cpl. S. A. Jeffrey, Fort. Sig. Coy.—27.5.40.

Bdr. W. W. Rae, 5th A.A. Bty.—28.5.40.

Gnr. Ip Chin Fook, 4th Bty.—31.5.40.

Gnr. W. J. Jowit, 2nd Bty.—30.6.40.

Strength-Increase:

Pte. A. L. Jorge, A.S.C. Coy.—15.9.39.

Gnr. Ip Ping Kwong, 3rd Bty.—23.5.40.

Gnr. S. O. Berg, 2nd Bty. —24.5.40.

Gnr. N. O. Christensen, 2nd Bty.—24.5.40.

Gnr. H. Drøyer, 2nd Bty.—24.5.40.

Gnr. E. E. Hutmeler, 2nd Bty. —24.5.40.

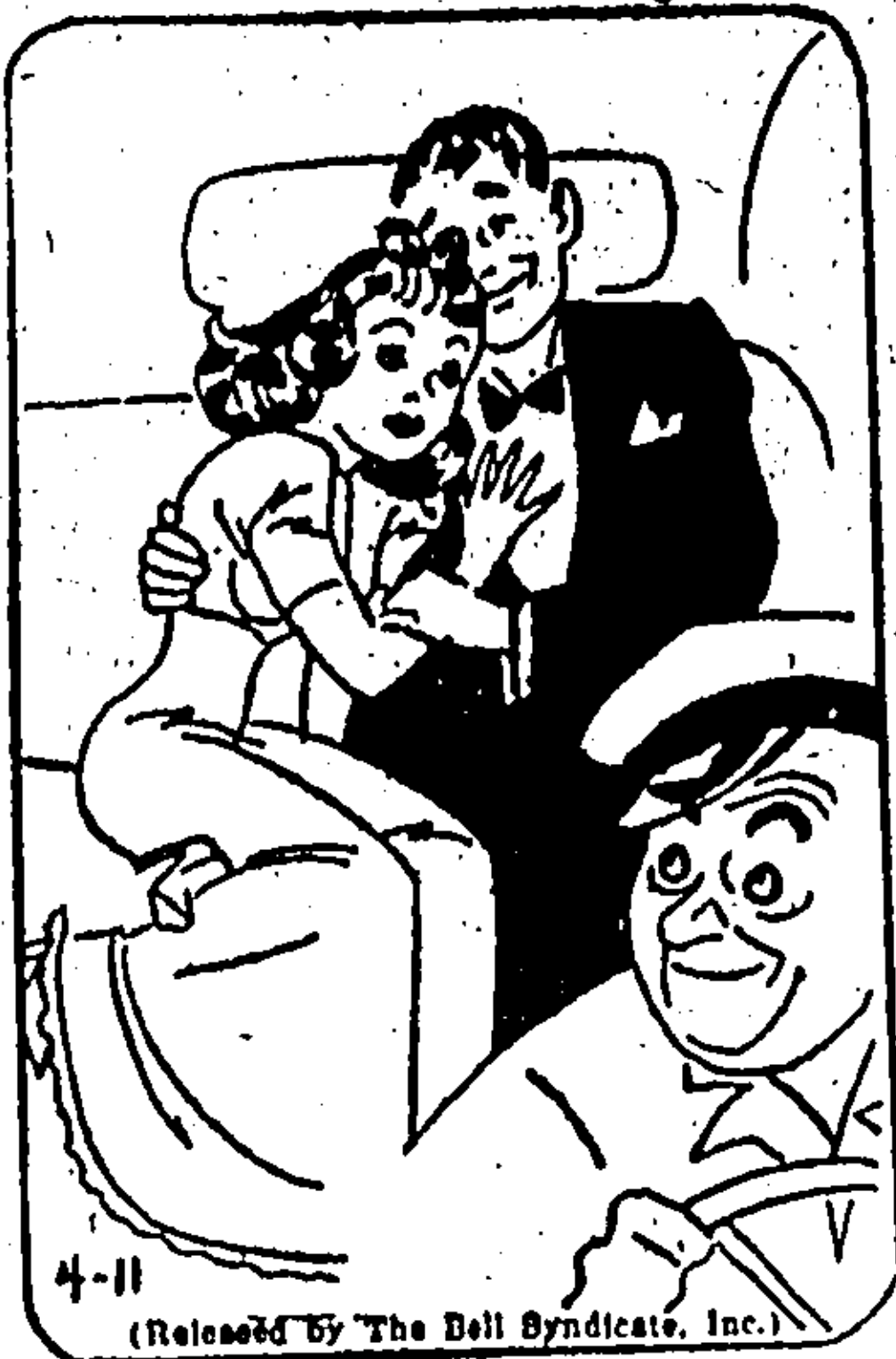
Gnr. A. Floisand, 2nd Bty.—24.5.40.

Gnr. B. Herschend, 2nd Bty.—24.5.40.

Pte. W. A. Mackinlay, 2nd Bay.—24.5.40.

Gnr. R. Refertsen, 2nd Bty.—24.5.40.

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If it's true two is company and three is a crowd what in the world can young lovers do about the taxi driver.

ENEMY OCCUPIED TERRITORY

It is notified for general information that the following are to be regarded as areas in enemy occupation:—The Kingdom of Norway with the exception of northern provinces (Nordland, Troms, Finnmark and Svalbard (Spitzbergen), The Kingdom of the Netherlands and The Grand Duchy of Luxemburg. This notification does not apply to Netherlands dependencies.

EFFICIENCY MEDALS

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to authorize the following H.K.V.D.C. awards:—

Efficiency Medal.
Battery Sergeant Major Ernest Moses.
Lance Corporal Thomas Sydney Douglas Whitley.

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Gnr. H. M. Snow, 1st Bty.—27.5.40.
Gnr. E. R. Childe, 2nd Bty.—28.5.40.
E. N. THURSBY, Captain,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE

Sgts. Mess Committee Meeting:
There will be a meeting of the Sergeants' Mess Committee meeting on Tuesday 11.6.40 at 5.30 p.m. in the Sergeants' Mess.
Affiliated Unit—Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

Lecture:

The next Home Nursing Lecture will be held on Friday June 7th at St. John's Cathedral Hall at 5.30 p.m.

Practical Classes:

Practical classes are held each Monday 10.30 a.m.—Volunteer H.Q.; 5.45 p.m.—Military Hospital, Bowen Road. Transport will leave Vol. H.Q. punctually at 5.30 p.m. Uniform to be worn at lectures and all practical classes at the Military Hospital.

A.R.P. Course:

Until further notice the A.R.P. course will be held at the A.R.P. Headquarters Happy Valley on Weds. at 5.45 p.m. Transport will leave Vol. H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.

Strength-Increase:

Mrs. D. Barmett 21.5.40
Mrs. M. Wilkinson 21.5.40
Miss Y. G. Ruffio 22.5.40
Mrs. M. K. Sanh 31.5.40
Mrs. J. G. Green 31.5.40

Strength-Decrease:

(Left the Colony.)
Miss N. Quin 1.5.40
Mrs. L. Gray 16.5.40
Miss H. Ayock 17.5.40
Mrs. E. J. T. Warren 25.5.40

Attachment:

The under-mentioned members were attached to the Military Hospital for training during the period shown:—
Mrs. M. Budden 20.5.40—27.5.40
Miss M. F. Cole 20.5.40—27.5.40

Mobile Members:

More Mobile Members are needed. For full particulars apply to the Assistant Commandant.

Sgd. Mrs. C. Addis-Martin

Asst. Comdt.
Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

4 YRS. FOR TORTURER

A woman who so beat and burned a girl aged four and a half that she died, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude at Jedburgh. She was found guilty of culpable homicide.

Esther Rutherford Scott, aged thirty-four, of Dovemount-place, Hawick, Roxburghshire, was charged with assaulting the child, of whom she had custody, by beating her with a leather belt on various occasions.

Between December 1, 1939, and January 10, 1940, it was alleged, "she repeatedly assaulted the little girl, burned her behind the right ear and on the chest with a heated poker, beat her on the face and body with a stick, and burned her on both buttocks, in consequence of which the child died."

Medical evidence was that one of the buttock burns measured 7in. by 2½in. and the other 6in. by 4in., and that the only treatment applied was a piece of newspaper, which was still adhering when the body was examined.

A suggestion that the burns might have been caused by immersion in a hot bath was ruled out by Professor Sidney Smith, of Edinburgh University, who said they must have been caused by contact with a dry, hot instrument.

Four women were on the jury of seven. The trial, before Lord Stevenson lasted two days.

PRISON FOR GIFTS THAT MAY HELP ENEMY

Risk of imprisonment and fines will be run by those people who, by certain subterfuges, are sending parcels of food and clothing to friends in enemy countries.

This is done by forwarding money to an agent or friend in a neutral country. A second letter is then sent to the agent asking him to buy certain things and forward them to an address in an enemy country.

Prosecutions will in future be instituted in cases of this kind, however innocent the intentions of the sender. A large number of cases are under observation.

This does not apply to those sending parcels to prisoners of war, which is permissible. But the other method has been going on to an alarming extent, and the Government have decided it must be stopped at once.

Charitable institutions, for example, have been forwarding money to agents in Hol-

MONEY DID NOT WORRY ARTIST

One of Britain's greatest living artists, whose pictures have sold for hundreds of pounds—one fetched more than £1,000—has been granted a Civil List Pension of £170 because of his need.

According to his closest friends, the man in question, Mr. Walter Richard Sickert, who is eighty, is "too unworldly to worry about money values."

"I am not at all surprised to hear that my friend is in need again," Mr. Warren Dow, another well-known artist, told a reporter.

"Richard has had plenty of money. He has sold many of his works, but money was the last thing he thought about."

Mr. Sickert resigned from the Royal Academy in 1935, a year after being elected, as a protest against "the Academy's attitude to that great artist Epstein when they refused to support the plea for keeping the Epstein statues in the Strand."

GIVEN A REVOLVER

Mrs. Catherine Carswell (granted £150) is herself an author of note. Her husband was knocked down and killed by a car in the black-out in January while returning from the Home Office, where he worked.

Mrs. Carswell's "Life of Robert Burns" caused a national controversy. She was even sent a revolver with one round of ammunition with the request that she use it.

Mrs. Ethel Copley (Miss Ethel Gabain) who, with her husband, Mr. John Copley, has received a joint grant of £150, is one of the three women war artists whose appointments were announced on Wednesday.

land, Belgium, and Switzerland with instructions that parcels of food and clothing be sent to people in Germany, Austria or Poland.

Much of this has been done by people who have left relatives in Germany and are anxious to provide for them. But this stream of money, food and clothes is clearly of material assistance to the enemy. Last week no fewer than 275 cases were stopped by the British authorities.

Fraudulent concerns have been set up in neutral countries to profit by this business, and intended recipients often receive nothing.

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Notice is hereby given that MR. ROBERT TAYLOR has been appointed Manager & Secretary of the above Company as from this date.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. SCOTT HARSTON,
Chairman.

Hong Kong, 1st June, 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **TUESDAY, the 4th. JUNE, 1940** commencing at 10 a.m.

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Admission to the Godown will be by Pass only. These passes can be obtained from the Undersigned.

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Concerto

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Derek Oldham (Tenor) and The London Palladium Orchestra.
Nocturne ('Song of Love'—Curran); A Little Love, A Little Kiss (Slesu)...Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Bells Across The Meadow (Ketelbey); The Phantom Melody (Ketelbey)...The London Palladium Orchestra.
Under the Lilac Bough ('Lilac Time'—Ross-Cuttsam); You Will Remember Vienna (Hammmerstein & Romberg)...Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra.
"These Foolish Things"—Selection (Noel Gay)...London Palladium Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Weber—Fantasia on Melodies of Johann Strauss. Marek Weber and His

Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Dance Music by the B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Song Without Words; Thank You, Mister Bach.
Paso-Doble—Le Touquet.
Fox-Trots—The Merry-Go-Round. Broke Down; Saddle Your Blues To A Wild Mustang; You Started Me Dreaming.
Novelty Fox-Trot—The Broken Record.
Fox-Trots—The Music Goes 'Round' and Around; Moon over Miami; Swing (from

Public Nuisance No. 1').
2.15 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.
6.00 p.m.—Elgar—Concerto in B Minor, Op. 61. Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Edward Elgar.
6.53 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.55 p.m.—Compositions of Eric Coates. By The Sleepy Lagoon...Eric Coates and Symphony Orchestra.
Always As I Close My Eyes...Hubert Elsdell (Tenor) with Piano.
Two Symphonic Rhapsodies: No. 1 I pitch my lonely caravan; No. 2 Bird Songs at Eventide...New Light Symphony Orchestra.
Because I Miss You So...Hubert Elsdell (Tenor) with Piano.
Springtime Suite...Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eric Coates.
For Your Delight—Serenade...Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eric Coates.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Band Music.
Marches—Prairie Flower (Ord Hume); Lynwood (Ord Hume)...The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band cond. by E. Walton O'Donnell.
Marches—Marching (Batten & Rye); H.M. Queen Elisabeth's March (Verne)...Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"This Land of Ours". A talk.
8.30 p.m.—Selections from Musical Comedy. "Rio Rita"—Vocal Gems (McCarthy & Tierney).
"Follow Through"—Vocal Gems (De Sylva, Brown, Henderson)...Light Opera Company with Orchestra.
"The Cat & The Fiddle"—Selection (Harcourt & Kern)...New Mayfair Orch.
"Peggy Ann"—Vocal Gems (Rodgers).
"The Girl Friend"—Vocal Gems (Rodgers)...Light Opera Company with Orchestra.
"Peter Pan"—Selection (John Crook)...The London Palladium Orchestra.
9.03 p.m.—Cinema Organ.
Good Old Songs Medley.
Intro: Daisy Bell; Nellie Dean; The Man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo; Here we are Again; Ta-ra-boom-de-ay; Down at the Old Bull and Bush...Reginald Foort.
Canadian Capers (Cohen & Others). Czardas (Monti).
...H. Robinson Cleave.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—Local sport results.
9.32 p.m.—Gerry—Moore (Piano) and His Orchestra.
Quickstep—Crooning.
Slow Fox-Trot—Love Me.
Quickstep—Hold My Hand.
Slow Fox-Trot—Heart and Soul (film 'A Song is Born').
...Gerry Moore at the Piano.
Fox-Trots—Always and Always (film 'Manbequin'); Ti-Pi-Tin.
...Gerry Moore & His Rhythm.
Slow Fox-Trots—What Do You Know About

Love?; I'm Building A Sailboat of Dreams.
Quickstep—My Gal Mezzanine.
...Gerry Moore at the Piano.
10.00 p.m.—An hour of New Variety.
Orch.—Rising Tide—Selection.
Intro: Vanguards: Theme—Listening; New Empire March; Re-making the world (from films 'Youth Marches On' and 'Calling all Nations')...Orchestra cond. by Will Reed.
Vocal—New Frontiersmen (film 'Youth Marches On')...Raymond Newell and Chorus with Orchestra.
Humorous Monologue—Albert Evacuated (Holloway); Vocal—My Misadventure (Holloway & Conrchie)...Stanley Holloway with Orchestra.
Piano—I've Got You On My Mind ('Gay Divorce'—Cole Porter); Thanks (film 'Too much harmony')...Rale Da Costa.
Vocal—Wrap Me Up In My Tarpaulin Jacket (Melville & Other); Antonio Pasquale Ramonito (Crumit)...Frank Crumit (Tenor) with Guitar.
Xylophone—The Mouse, The Piano and The Cat...Jack Simpson with Orch.
Vocal & Piano—A Boy and A Girl Were Dancing (Gordon & Revel); A Letter to My Mother (Gilbert & Nikle)...Derickson & Brown.
Comedienne—Will You Love Me When I'm Mutton (Lee & Western); At The Court Of Old King Cole (Boyle & Rale da Costa)...Grace Fields with Orchestra.
Instr.—Down The Trail of Dreams (Foster-Connelly)...The Organ, The Dance Band and Me.
Vocal w. Orch.—The Laughter Parade (Fay Dawn & Montague)...The Laughter Makers.
Piano—Carroll Calls the Tunes.
Intro: In an 18th Century Drawing Room; It's a lovely day to-morrow; Scatterbrain; It's a Hap Hap Happy Day; Faithful forever; Let the people Sing...Carroll Gibbons.
Vocal—At Least You Could Say "Hello" (Mysels & Others)...Connie Boswell with Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"London Log".
11.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—The Lady On The Cameo; Chatterbox (from 'That's right, I'm wrong')...Ambrose & His Orchestra.
Rumba Fox-Trot—The Gaucho Serenade; Fox-Trot—Rosita...Ambrose & His Orchestra.
Quicksteps—Lucky Me, Lucky You (from 'Come out and play'); How Beautiful You Are (from 'Black Velvet')...Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orchestra.
Waltz—Somewhere in France With You; Fox-Trot—We'll Meet Again...Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—I Hear A Dream (film 'Gulliver's Travels'); Quickstep—Bluebirds in the Moonlight (film 'Gulliver's Travels')...Jack White & His Collegians.
Tangos—Mas Alla; Quiero Verte Una Vez Mas...Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Quicksteps—I Never Knew; If You Were The Only Girl In The World...Joe Daniels & His Hot Shots in "Drumsticks".
Fox-Trot—My Melancholy Baby...Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
12.00 midnight—CLOSE DOWN.



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David Bruce Burnstone, Merwin D. Maier, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken . . . World's leading Team-of-Four, Inventors of the system that has beaten every other system in existence.

There was considerable acrimonious discussion between North and South at the completion of to-day's hand. South maintained that his opening bid of four spades was simply a shut-out and therefore North had no right to jump to the grand slam. North defended himself vigorously, claiming there was nothing wrong with contracting for a grand slam that could have been made. South had to admit that this last assertion was true.

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

♠ A 10
♥ Q 10 6 3
♦ A K 10 9 4
♣ K 9

♠ 7 5
♥ A 8 7 2
♦ Q 8 5
♣ J 10 7 6

♠ 6 2
♥ K J 9 5 4
♦ J
♣ Q 8 4 3 2

♠ K Q J 9 8 4 3
♥ —
♦ 7 6 8 2
♣ A 5

The bidding:
South West North East
4♠ Pass 7♠ Pass
Pass Pass

West opened the Ace of hearts but fortunately South was void in that suit. Trumps were drawn and South then decided that with nine diamonds in the combined hands his best chance was to find the remaining four evenly divided. South therefore played the Ace and King of diamonds, whereupon West won a trick with the Queen.

While South might have guessed the diamond distribution correctly, his play had as good a chance for success as a second round finesse for the

Queen which would have worked. In other words, the play for the grand slam was an even chance and under these circumstances North should have been satisfied with bidding six, especially as he could not know that South was void in hearts.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and held:

♠ Q J x
♥ K x
♦ A J 9 x x
♣ Q 10 x

The bidding:
Maier Schenken You Jacoby
1♠ Pass 2♦ Pass
2♥ Pass (?)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is three spades. You don't want to bid no-trumps since you may have no sure club stopper, and even though your partner has not rebid spades the fact that he has shown a second suit indicates that he almost surely has five spades.

Score three spades 100%, two no-trump 60%, two spades (inadequate) 0, three no trump (a bad bid) 0.

QUESTION NO. 425

Howard Schenken is your partner and you hold:

♠ Q J x
♥ K x
♦ A J 9 x x
♣ Q 10 x

The bidding:
Schenken Burnstone You Maier
1♠ Pass 2♦ Pass
2♥ Pass 3♠ Pass
4♦ Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)
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SOUTH CHINA RECRUIT A TEAM AT LAST

By "GRANDSTAND"

A FULL PROGRAMME of three games will be dished out to fans over the week-end. South China have finally rounded up enough ball bruisers to form a team and from what I hear they will be there with bells on for their first outing to-morrow against Chung Hwa.

EASTERN'S 3 MATCHES IN MANILA

Manila, Tuesday.

The Eastern Athletic Association football team eked out a close 4-3 win over the Philippine Island selection last Saturday at the Rizal Stadium.

The visitors early took matters into their own hands and threatened to score twice from well-placed corner shots but their efforts were not rewarded until the Hau Ching-to picked up a nice pass from the Cheung Yung-sam and scored. Scarcely three minutes later, the visitors scored a second time on a bullet-like pass from Cheung Yung-sam which was headed in by Hsu Man-fu.

Manila redeemed themselves, however, when early in the second half Garriz and Lurrazabal scored.

The locals were still very much on the offensive and Hau Ching-to and Chang Kam-hoi scored further for Eastern.

The homesters kept bombarding the goal and their efforts being rewarded by a third goal scored by Lurrazabal.

THE RETURN-GAME

For the second time in a row, the visiting Eastern Athletic Association eleven defeated the P.I. football selection in the final appearance of the local stars last night at the Rizal Memorial football Stadium by the score of 5-2.

The visiting stars started the skirmish in whirlwind pace, scoring two goals in the initial half before the local eleven could get started. The Filipino stars, however, came back strong and equalised the count in the same period. The first half ended at 2-2.

The last period saw the visiting stars playing their best game. Their swift passing attack along the sides baffled the local players. They garnered three more goals, as they held their opponents in check.

Chang Kam-hoi drew first blood when he scored. Esteve, inside-left, retaliated for the local team seven minutes later. The visitors pressed harder on their foes and in a few minutes Lee Tack-kee scored. Before the period ended, Garriz equalised.

The last session proved a walk-away for the visitors who scored three more goals to nothing for their rivals.

In a melee near the goal, Lurrazabal was fouled and was awarded a penalty kick. He failed to score.

From hereon it was visitors' game. Hsu Man-fu registered the last three goals in rapid succession to put the game in the bag.

MANILA LEAGUE TROUNCED

Eastern handed the Manila football League selection a 6 to 2 shellacking last night at the Rizal Memorial Track-Football Stadium.

Playing a flawless game throughout, the visitors completely outclassed their opponents. With the exception of the first few minutes in the second half M.F.L. offered no opposition at all.

The visitors worked like a well-oiled machine scoring three goals in succession in the first period and held the local squad in check. Manila retaliated with two goals in the first ten minutes of play in the second period, but that was as far as the locals could go.—(Manila Bulletin).

POLICE CELEBRATE

A large gathering, representative of the majority of the Colony's cricket clubs, was present at Police Recreation Club last night, the occasion being a dinner in celebration of the Police success in Junior Division.

Among those present were Hon. Mr. T. H. King, who presided, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock (president of the Cricket League), Mr. A. H. Madar (Hon. Secretary of the Cricket League) Mr. C. Pope (Police cricket captain) and Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

After the Loyal toast had been honoured, Mr. King congratulated the Police team on their success and, in paying tribute to the sporting spirit of I.R.C. in the play-off, described that match as one of the finest he had ever been privileged to see.

Mr. King then went on to give some interesting reminiscences, recalling his arrival in the Colony, which date coincided with his first cricket match here. He mentioned many stalwarts of the past and recalled the days when Police played in First Division, when he had frequently met Mr. Hancock

To-day at 2.15 p.m. sharp, with Nip Lum, Hal Winglee and Stan Leonard as arbiters; Hongkong Baseball Club will cross bats with the formidable Mindanao nine. This should be the main attraction of the week-end as the Molthenmen feel strong enough to down the blue-jackets, and the Chasemen are going to fight hard in defence of their clean slate so far this season.

A few changes in the H.K.B.C. lineup have been made by Doc Molthen to further strengthen their defence. Bill Smith will again do mound duty for the Hongkongites, with Charlie Figueredo at the receiving end, instead of Joe Higgins, who is being transferred to right field. Bill Smith has developed into one of the best pitchers in the circuit and if his arm is right he will make it tough going for the Mindanaoans' batting average.

Veteran Ernie Hearther will be guarding his usual berth at the initial sack with Hanus Waggoner taking care of the key-stone bag. Doc has a new third basemen in Jimmy Degan who is reputed in Shanghai to be a deadly fielder and a crack batsman. Tony Alves at shortstop will complete what Mentor Molthen would term "a stone-wall infield." Coco Marques, Dan Fettinghoff and Joe Higgins will patrol the outfield. Mindanao will have the same line-up they used last Sunday against R.E. Tony Muscavage will be on the firing line with Padgett as his battery mate; Douglas, at first; Poochie Chase, at second; Red Todd guarding the hot corner and Badrick covering the windy alley. The cabbage pastures will be patrolled by "Highpockets" Wilson, Cook and Crooner Ruel.

I don't like to contradict Doc, but I favour the blue-jackets to take the Reds to town in a close battle.

Sunday's Games

In the curtain-raiser of a double bill to-morrow, starting at 10 a.m. H.B. lock horns with Royal Engineers. This tilt should be in the bag for the Leonardmen, but just the same the Sappers will be out in full force and will be there trying their best and fighting to the end to make the Brewers earn their victory. Poochie Chase, Wilson and Dave Walker are slated to officiate.

The teams:

H.B.	P	R.E.
M. Arculli	C	Flash Radcliffe
H. Winglee	1b	Shaw
T. Leonard	2b	Welford
G. Souza	3b	Ings
Zinho Gosano	SS	Heath
D. Leonard	LF	Denyer
H. Ali	CF	Foley
S. Leonard	RF	Taylor
S. Bux		

In the nightcap South China will make their first appearance when they tangle with Chung Hwa. This should be Chung Hwa's third win.

Some remarks have been made about South China postponing their first two League fixtures because they needed more practice. But this much can be said about C. B. Wong, South China's baseball squad manager. He has tried very hard to raise a team for the sake of the game and only recently has he been able to do so. His team does not look as if they will set the League on fire this year, but like the R.E.'s they will be there everytime doing their best whether on the winning end or not.

All players, with the exception of Szeto Bick and Harry Chinn, are newcomers to South China and most of them newcomers to baseball. They are a bunch of young and aggressive players and much can be expected of them as time marches on.

Pau Man-pu, former National meet star and the only experienced ball player of the squad, will be toting the rubber for Nam Hwa, with Szeto Bick or Fung Chun-cheong being the plate. The teams are as follows:

CHUNG HWA	P	SOUTH CHINA
Bill Chang	C	Pau Man-pu
Nip Lum	1b	Szeto Bick or Fung Chun-cheong
R. Chung	2b	Ha Wai-pun
Choy	3b	Sek Ka-phoon
Hank Chang	SS	Harry Chinn
Wally Ching	LF	Ip Yek-ching
Babe Chinn	CF	Nelson Ma
Tuffy Chinn	RF	Ng Chun-wah
Al Lau		Cecil Winglee
Umpires:		Utility:
Chase		Bill Quon
Wilson		Luke Si-hon
Todd		Pang Sai-kwong
		Lau Po-yu

on the H.K.C.C. ground.

Prior to presenting the shield Mr. Hancock, in a neat speech, mentioned that he had always been on friendly terms with the Police and he hoped he always would. He congratulated them on their success this year and expressed the hope that they would not be long in repeating the achievement.

Mr. Pope thanked the members of his team for their splendid support throughout the season and he also mentioned the sporting spirit in which

"SKIP'S" FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

FIRST DIVISION

Recreio "A"	(82)	v	Civil Service C.C.	(83)
Craigengower	(81)	v	Police R.C.	(49)
Kowloon Docks R.C.	(69)	v	Kowloon C.C.	(47)
Kowloon B.G.C.	(64)	v	Recreio "B"	(38)
Indian R.C.	(—)	v	*H.K. Football Club	(—)

SECOND DIVISION

Craigengower	(68)	v	Police R.C.	(88)
Talkob R.C.	(—)	v	*Club de Recreio	(—)
*Hong Kong C.C.	(—)	v	Kowloon B.G.C.	(—)
Civil Service C.C.	(43)	v	Kowloon Tong	(69)
Kowloon F.C.	(—)	v	*Kowloon C.C.	(—)

THIRD DIVISION

*Hong Kong C.C.	(—)	v	*Indian R.C.	(—)
H.K. Electric R.C.	(65)	v	H.K. Football Club	(64)
Prison O.C.	(68)	v	Kowloon B.G.C.	(60)
Kowloon F.C.	(53)	v	Craigengower	(60)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last year.

* Newcomers to this division.

KOWLOON DOCK SHOULD BEAT KOWLOON C.C.

By "SKIP"

THE BEST MATCH in to-day's lawn bowls programme promises to be that between Kowloon Dock and Kowloon Cricket Club at Hung Hom.

If past results are anything to go by the home team should have little difficulty in winning as they have done in the last four encounters. I tabulate the results to show the Dock team's superiority on their own green.

	K.D.R.C.	K.C.C.
1936	81	48
1937	63	44
1938	72	53
1939	59	47

The homesters have a useful team out and I expect them to carry on the good work!

Club de Recreio "A" meet Civil Service at King's Park and unless a miracle happens should win quite comfortably. Eccleshall has come up from skip in the second team to play lead to Jones and this will strengthen the rink. Leonard Xavier has recovered from his indisposition and resumes his place as lead to Dick Alves.

If my memory serves me well, Police have always put up a good game against Craigengower and certainly did well to get to within a couple of shots of their opponents last year. I do not, however, think they will be able to get so close this time.

As Kowloon Bowling Green Club lost to the Champions by only three shots when the teams met at Austin Road a fortnight ago, they must start favourites in their game against Club de Recreio "B" team to-day, in spite of their away lapse last Saturday. The home team remains unchanged, whilst the visitors are back to their normal formation after making some unavoidable alterations last week.

The two bottom teams in the League are at present the Indians and Hong Kong Football Club and to-day's encounter at Sookun-poo will decide which is to vacate that position—unless of course a tie results! The Football Club have made some changes, Robertson taking over a rink and Arnold Brooksbank going three to Bebbington in his place, whilst Lionel Lammert regains his place as third man. Despite these changes I think that the ground advantage will turn the scales in favour of the home team.

Second Division

Titbit of Second Division will be the meeting of Talkob and Club de Recreio at Quarry Bay. This will be the first time most of the latter will have visited this splendid green and I am sure they will enjoy playing on it! Whether they will be successful in their search for points is another question; I do not think they will. Craigengower should have little difficulty in beating the Police in the double-header on their green and I think that Kowloon Bowling Green Club should beat Hong Kong Cricket Club

the play-off was decided. He mentioned the fine support given by the committee of P.R.C.

Mr. Carey said that the season just concluded has seen the realisation of one of his ambitions. He hoped that Police would not be long in repeating their achievement.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton replied to the toast of "our guests."

A variety entertainment completed a very enjoyable evening.

without much difficulty, even though the game is at Chater Road.

More close should be the game between the Civil Servants and Kowloon Tong at the Valley. Both teams have made some changes, Timber Wood taking over the place vacated by Eccleshall and Stephens playing his first League match of the season, skipping a Kowloon Tong rink. There will be a real battle at Chatham Road, where Kowloon Cricket Club are the visitors, and it needs a brave heart to forecast the winner; home advantage should tell but much depends on Carr, who will miss Naef badly.

Third Division

There's a battle of the babes at Chater Road where two newcomers to the League do battle, have a win to their credit, a pleasure which has not yet fallen to the lot of the Indians, and I am afraid that the latter will still be pointless, on Saturday evening.

The Electricians, at home, will seek inspiration from their good win last Saturday and should be good enough to overcome H.K. Football Club.

Prison Officers, with no such inspiration, will have to go all out to beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club and I think they will do this as the game is at Stanley.

Although Craigengower have won one more than Kowloon Football Club, their hosts to-day, it should be noted that they have a debit of over 20 shots in their four matches, whereas the Chatham Road team are all square. This points to more balance so I tip the homesters to win.

POLO

DRAW FOR NAVY CUP

Four teams, the Middlesex Regiment, the Stóoges, Ubique and the World Workers, will take part in the Navy Cup American Polo Tournament, which will commence on Wednesday.

Games will be of four chukkers each on handicap.

The following is the draw:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6
World Workers v Middlesex Regiment; Ubique v Stóoges.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7
World Workers v Stóoges; Middlesex Regiment v Ubique.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12
Ubique v World Workers; Middlesex Regiment v Stóoges.

THE FOUR TEAMS

The following are the four teams, with handicaps given in brackets:
Middlesex Regt.—Capt. T. W. Chattey (4), Capt. H. Chattey (2), Lt. Hancock (1) and Capt. Fishbourne (1).

Stóoges—Major Penfold (3), Capt. A. F. D. Colson (2), Lt. Smith (2) and Capt. Atkinson (1).

Ubique—Major Wilson (5), Capt. Forrester (4), Major Morgan (2) and Capt. Duncan (1).

World Workers—D. L. Newbigging (5), Commodore Peters (2), Lt. L. J. A. Fielden (4) and W. T. Stanton (2), Substitute, Lt. Guest.

SO far the standard of tennis served up by the Army Tennis Club in the Colony "B" League has been mediocre for a club of their standing. This fault cannot be attributed to a lack of players but is due to shortsightedness on the part of the selection committee.

Army Tennis Club

Colonel Smith and Captain Smith are the best pair in the team. Colonel Smith is a veteran, who has a wide variety of strokes which gives him an immediate advantage, while Capt. Hyde is a more youthful and hard hitting player. The other pair Colonel Newnham and Capt. Loch are not such a good combination; they seem to lack that finesse that is often instrumental in turning a set in their favour. If the Tennis Club hope to have any success in this League they should make some changes at once. I would suggest including Duffield and Emberson. These two players have shown some good tennis in the Colony "C" League and in the Army League. The brilliant performance of Colonel Smith and Major Harrison for the Medical Corps against Royal Engineers in a Inter-Unit match, in winning all three sets, leads me to suggest the inclusion of Major Harrison as Colonel Smith's partner. This would depose Capt. Hyde, but in my opinion he should be given Capt. Loch's position as Colonel

Newnham's partner. Thus the team would be Colonel Newnham (Staff) and Capt. Hyde (D.A.P.M.); Colonel Smith (R.A.M.C.) and Major Harrison (R.A.M.C.); Emberson (R.A.O.C.) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.). With Capt. Loch and Sergt. Webb as reserves.

HEADING the list of Army League Tennis Pairings are Capt. Hook and Capt. Skipwith of 8th Heavy Regiment R.A., this pair however, have played three sets more than any other pair but, nevertheless, to have lost only two sets out of nine is a good performance. The next two pairs, Colonel Smith and Major Harrison, and Duffield and Emberson I have already mentioned in the previous paragraph. In the "B" Division the averages are not so good. Brakenbury and Langley of the Signals top the list with 5 sets out of six. Cooper and Hunter (R.A.O.C.); Peters and Harding (R.A.O.C.); and Love and Scully (Signals) all tie for second place having won four out of six sets.

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ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADY"

ON Wednesday evening both Middlesex and the Royal Scots were seen in action against "Y" teams. The performance of the Royal Scots strengthens my opinion that they have the best Army team in the Colony. The first match was between the "Y" and the Middlesex. It was a game marred by many fouls.

Water Polo

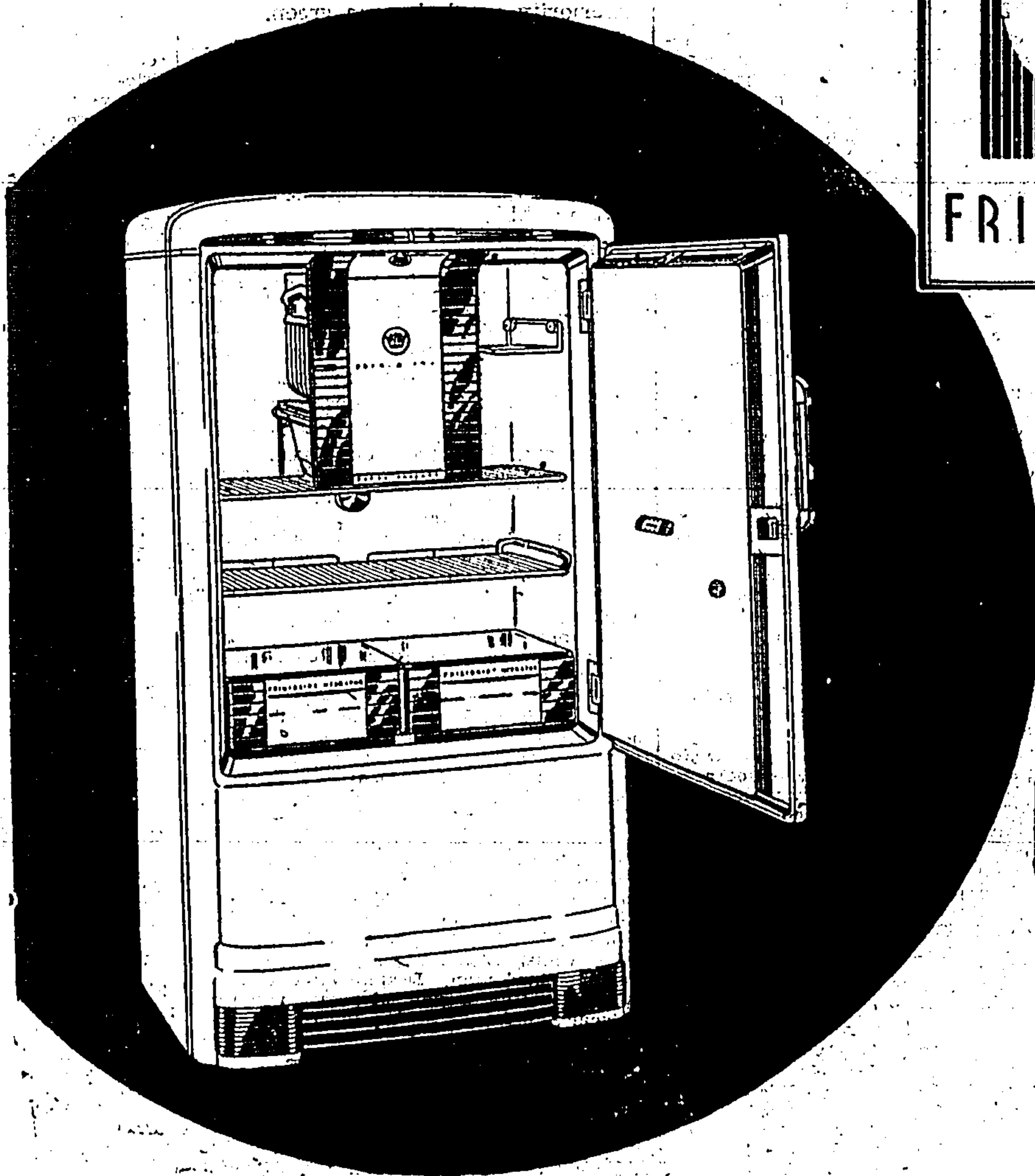
Berry was outstanding as goalkeeper and, but for his safe handling of the ball, his side would have lost by a far greater margin than 3-1. The "Diehards" forwards were always too far away from their opponents goal to be of any real danger and Eardley and Willis had no difficulty in dealing with the shots at goal. Sgt. Ure scored the only Middlesex goal. Royal Scots were faced with much stronger opposition but they managed to fully extend the "Y" side, in fact, the "Y" forwards were almost completely outplayed at times and their 3-0 victory was due almost entirely to the splendid play of their defence. Millar and Hunter were both in excellent form. Bankier

played well in goal for the Scots, and Jordan did excellent work amongst the forwards. In the second half Jordan, Millar, Hunter and Bankier were excellent in the defence and kept Slayter, Fielding and Sutherland well supplied with the ball.

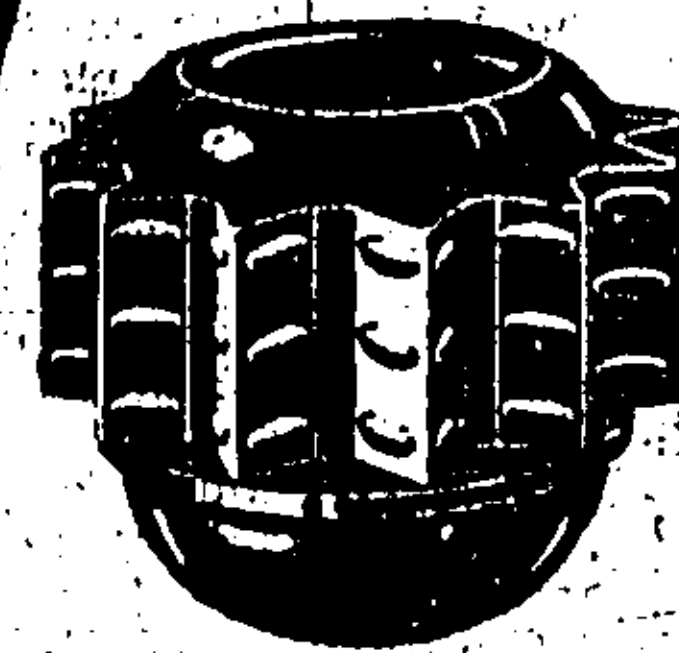
AT the Royal Naval Swimming bath a Navy Team entertained Royal Scots and the Royal Corps of Signals in friendly Water Polo matches. The Sailors won both the games, defeating the Signals 3-1 and Royal Scots 4-3. The Sailors have a good side and completely outswam the Signals. The Scots, who have such strong swimmers as Millar, Hunter, Massie, and Jordan, were able to cope better with the seaman's methods of attack. The Signals were by no means disgraced because they put up quite a good show, but were not quite fast enough. Bennett was sound between the sticks and Dignan was always dangerous.

Yesterday's entire programme of three matches in the Mixed Doubles Division of the Tennis League was washed out by the heavy rains which fell during the afternoon.

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			N.	S.	E.	W.			
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2797	Junction of On Chan Street, & Wang Lung Street, Cheung Sha Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 12,930	\$176	\$12,830
			As per sale plan						



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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
3	Rural Building Lot No. 437.	Middle Gap Road.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 16,700	\$192	\$2,004
			As per sale plan						



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			N.	S.	E.	W.			
4	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2798	Junction of Castle Peak Road & Trunkin Street, Shamshuipo.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 8,059	\$110	\$10,063
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PRIoux DIVISIONS FIGHT THROUGH

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into the area with every tide, through flood-gates controlled by French thousands of tons of water have come troops who were with the Belgian Army. The flooding ranges from 18 inches to three to four feet in depth.—Reuter.

Gen. Prioux's Fate?

Paris, To-day.
The German claim that General Prioux has been made prisoner could neither be confirmed nor denied in French military circles yesterday.

No information has been received from the General Staff of the northern army about General Prioux.

It is noted, however, that General Prioux was with those of his troops who were most gravely threatened—the rear guard.

Dunkirk's Defences

The French military spokesman yesterday claimed that Dunkirk is strongly held, abundantly supplied and energetically commanded.

The flood waters around the town, he said, constitute a more than serious obstacle.

Naval anti-aircraft guns, both afloat and ashore, as well as squadrons of R.A.F. fighters whose bases in Britain were only a few minutes away, had literally banned the air over Dunkirk to German planes.—Reuter.

French Communiqué

Paris, To-day.

A communiqué says that in the north our troops continued to march towards Dunkirk, where a portion were able to embark under the protection of the navy and air force despite the enemy's efforts.

Apart from certain activity on the Somme, there is nothing to report on

the rest of the front.

Despite the unfavourable atmospheric conditions our aviation effected deep reconnaissance flights following which our bomber squadrons harassed the enemy in the north and co-operated in provisioning our troops.—Reuter.

Abbeville Operations

Paris, To-day.

It is announced that French troops have reoccupied the immediate neighbourhood of Abbeville after two days operations.—Reuter.

German Communiqué

Berlin, To-day.

A German High Command communiqué says: "While the mass of French troops in north-eastern France has been destroyed or taken prisoner, dispersed and encircled units are still resisting at a few points. This resistance will be broken in a short time."

"An attack against the rest of the British army in the loop between Furnes and Bergues and west of Dunkirk is proceeding."

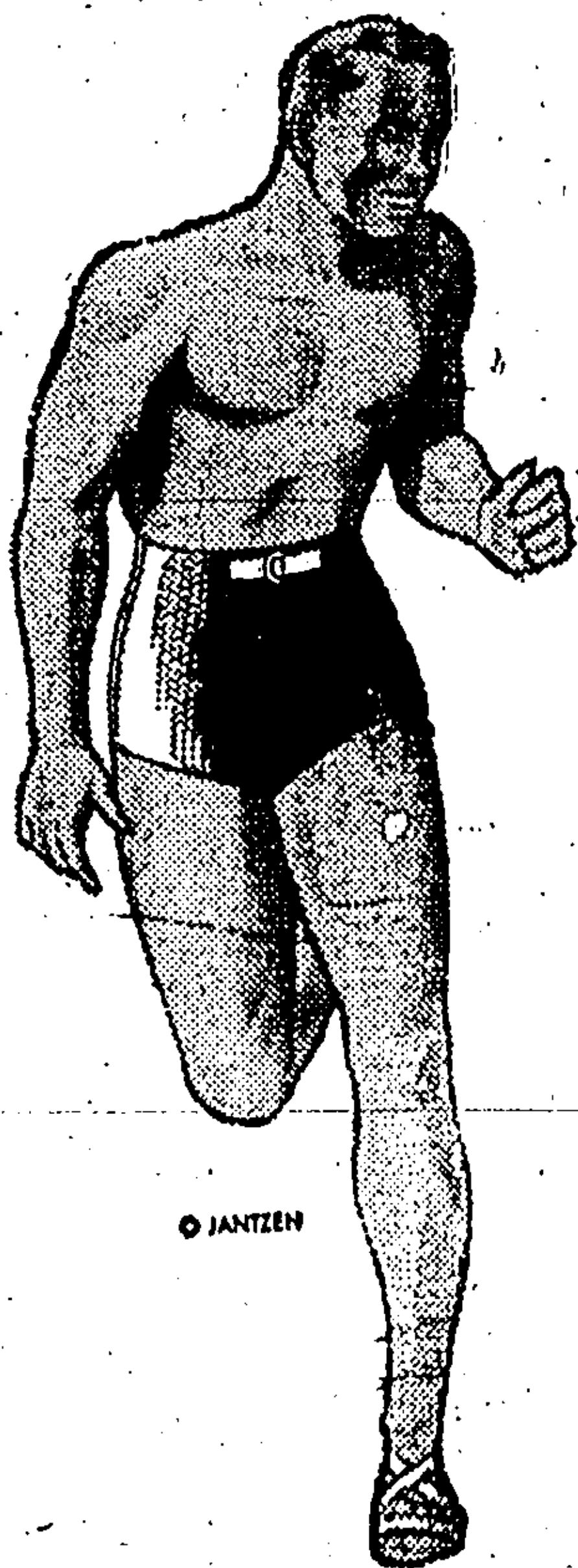
"The enemy are resisting stubbornly, with the object of rescuing as many soldiers as possible by means of ships, without any equipment."

"The British force encircled round Cassel was wiped out while attempting to break through to the north."

"Masses of German divisions in Artois and Flanders are now free for fresh tasks."

"Air force operations on Thursday were handicapped by the weather."

"The German navy has taken over the defence of the Dutch coast and the part of the French and Belgian coast in German hands."—Reuter.



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Alleged to have attacked a girl with a knife and stabbed her on the arm, Chan Hung, 26, was caught by onlookers after a long chase and is now in custody.

His victim was seventeen-year-old Chan Yue-yung, a student, who was on her way to her school, the Pui Tao Girls' Middle School, when she was approached by Chan, who is alleged to have stabbed her on the arm and attempted to remove her wrist-watch.

The girl has been removed to hospital.

Hong Kong's surplus balance dropped during March from \$19,020,110 to \$16,897,875.

This apparently phenomenal deficit in the monthly accounts was, however, largely explained by payments under the heading of "War Expenditure" of \$1,874,653, presumably including the payment of £100,000 voted by the Legislative Council to the Imperial Treasury.

Receipts generally were down during March, and the total was only \$3,153,443.26 as compared with \$4,188,619 in March, 1939. The 1939 figure was boosted by over \$1,000,000 in land sales.

Ordinary expenditure totalled \$3,400,000.

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